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A Reason for Revision

Paragraph 90 A has been amended to add "any of the following".

Paragraph 201 B has been amended to add the URL for logging into the web page for the Farm Records Management application.

Paragraph 216 and subparagraphs 245 B and C have been amended to add "DCP" before "cropland" as a method of division of base acres.

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Part 1 Purpose and Responsibilities

1 General Information

A Handbook Purpose

This handbook provides policy for reconstitution.

B Definition of Reconstitution

[7 CFR Part 718.2] A <u>reconstitution</u> is a change in the land constituting a farm as a result of combining or dividing tracts or farms.

2 Authority and Related Handbooks

A Source of Authority

Authority for reconstitution of farms is in 7 CFR Part 718.

B Related Handbooks

FSA handbooks related to reconstitution are:

- 1-APP for appeals
- 25-AS for record keeping requirements
- 1-CM for common management procedures
- 3-CM (Rev. 4) for:
 - FSA-156EZ's
 - software maintenance procedures
- 2-CP for compliance procedures
- 4-CP for payment reductions and violations
- 6-CP for HELC and WC procedures

2 Authority and Related Handbooks (Continued)

B Related Handbooks (Continued)

- 2-CRP for Agricultural Resource Conservation Program procedures
- 1-DCP for the DCP
- 2-DCP for direct and CC payments
- 1-PL for payment limitation procedures.

3 Responsibilities

A STC Responsibilities

STC shall:

- establish the date for annual review to determine whether land is properly constituted
 - **Note:** See paragraph 70.
- take any action required by this handbook that COC has not taken
- correct, or require COC to correct, any action COC has taken that is not according to the provisions of this handbook
- require COC to withhold any action that is not according to handbook procedures.

3 Responsibilities (Continued)

B DD Responsibilities

DD shall:

- certify that the annual review required in paragraph 70 is correctly completed
- concur with nonagricultural land determinations COC makes.

C COC Responsibilities

COC shall:

- ensure that the policies in this handbook are followed
- complete the annual review to determine whether land is properly constituted

Note: See paragraph 70.

- correct improperly constituted farms according to paragraph 74
- continually review records to determine whether land must be reclassified as cropland, DCP cropland, or nonagricultural, commercial, or industrial uses
- require specific proof of ownership

Note: See subparagraph 42 A.

3 Responsibilities (Continued)

C COC Responsibilities (Continued)

- take appropriate action on requests for reconstitution received from landowners or operators
- ensure all documents are completed, for example, FSA-155 and COC report, before approving or disapproving reconstitution
- document in COC minutes:
 - base adjustments made according to paragraph 135
 - direct and CC yield adjustments made according to paragraph 136
 - approval and disapproval of reconstitutions according to paragraph 262, including actions taken by CED
 - redelegation of authority according to paragraph 262.

D County Office Responsibilities

County Office employees shall:

- follow all policies in this handbook
- ensure that basic farm and producer records are accurate
- submit the Pending Reconstitution Report to the State Office
- publicize all methods of division, including the designation by landowner method of division according to paragraph 123.

4-28 (Reserved)

Part 2 Land Classification

29 Definitions

A Definition of Farmland

[7 CFR Part 718.2] <u>Farmland</u> is the sum of the following:

- DCP cropland
- forest
- NAP crop acreage as specified in 1-NAP not meeting the definition of cropland or DCP cropland
- other land on the farm.

B Definition of Cropland

<u>Cropland</u> is land that COC determines meets any of the following conditions:

currently being tilled to produce a crop for harvest

Note: Land that is seeded by drilling, broadcasting, or other no-till planting practices shall be considered tilled.

- not currently tilled, but has been tilled in a prior year and is suitable to be tilled for crop production
- currently devoted to 1- or 2-row shelterbelt planting, orchard, vineyard, or other related crops
- in terraces that, according to FSA records, were cropped in the past even though they are no longer capable of being cropped
- in sod waterways or filter strips planted to perennial cover
- under CRP-1, including alternative perennials, until CRP-1 expires or is terminated

Note: Violations of HELC or WC provisions do not affect cropland classification.

29 Definitions (Continued)

B Definition of Cropland (Continued)

- new land broken out if both of the following conditions are met:
 - land is planted to a crop to be carried through to harvest
 - tillage and cultural practices in planting and harvesting the crop must be consistent with normal practices in the area.

Land classified as cropland shall be removed from this classification upon a determination by COC that the land is:

- no longer used for an agricultural use
- no longer suitable for producing a crop
- subject to a restrictive or permanent easement that prohibits the planting of an annual crop

Note: This does not include land under CRP-1.

• converted to ponds, tanks, or trees.

Note: This does not include trees planted under CRP-1 or currently devoted to 1- or 2-row shelterbelt planting, or chard, or vineyard.

C Definition of DCP Cropland

<u>DCP cropland</u> is land for which 1 or more of the following apply:

- the land currently meets the definition of cropland
- the land met the definition of cropland at the time it was enrolled in PFC and the land is currently being used for an agricultural or related activity
- the land met the definition of cropland on or after April 4, 1996, and the land continues to be devoted to an agricultural or related activity.

Note: Refer to 1-DCP, paragraph 426 for a list of agricultural uses.

30-40 (Reserved)

Part 3 Owner, Operator, and Land Determinations

Section 1 Owner and Operator Determinations

41 Person for Reconstitution Purposes

A Minors

[7 CFR Part 718.202] For reconstitution purposes, a minor shall be considered to be the same owner or operator as the parent or court-appointed guardian unless all of the following apply:

- the minor:
 - child is a producer on a farm
 - establishes and maintains a separate household from the parent or guardian
 - personally carries out the farming activities in the operation
 - maintains a separate accounting for the farming operation.
- neither the minor's parents nor guardian has any interest in the minor's farm or production from the farm

Exception:

A minor shall not be considered to be the same owner or operator as the parent or court-appointed guardian if the minor's interest in the farming operation results from being the beneficiary of an irrevocable trust, and ownership of the property is vested in the trust or the minor.

B Life Estate Tenant

[7 CFR Part 718.202] A life estate tenant shall be considered to be the owner of the property for their life.

41 Person for Reconstitution Purposes (Continued)

C Trust

[7 CFR Part 718.202] A trust shall be considered to be an owner with the beneficiary of the trust, except a trust can be considered a separate owner or operator from the beneficiary if all of the following apply. The trust:

- has a separate and distinct interest in the land or crop involved
- exercises separate responsibility for the separate and distinct interest
- maintains funds and accounts separate from that of any other individual or entity for the interest.

D Immediate Family

Land owned by different members of an immediate family living in the same household and operated as a single farming unit shall be considered as being under the same ownership in determining a farm.

E Parent Corporations

All land operated as a single farming unit and owned and operated by a parent corporation and subsidiary corporation of which the parent corporation owns more that 50 percent of the value of outstanding stock, or where the parent is owned and operated by subsidiary corporations, shall be constituted as 1 farm.

42 Definitions

A Definition of Owner

[7 CFR Part 718.2] An <u>owner</u> is an individual or entity who has legal ownership of farmland, including individuals or entities that are any of the following:

buying farmland under a contract for deed

Note: Regional attorney shall review contracts that are questionable before changing FSA ownership records.

- retaining a life estate in the property
- purchasing a farm in a foreclosure proceeding and both of the following apply:
 - the redemption period has not passed
 - the original owner has not redeemed the property
- a spouse in community property States
- spouses owning property jointly.

Note: COC shall require specific proof of ownership when land ownership is transferred.

Examples: Proof of ownership may include:

- copy of the deed, if recorded
- unrecorded deed, if specific program does not require a recorded deed
- land contract
- FSA employee's check of the record at the county land records office
- proof of gift tax
- real estate tax assessment or bill.

42 Definitions (Continued)

B Definition of Operator

[7 CFR Part 718.2] An <u>operator</u> is an individual, entity, or joint operation who is determined by COC as being in general control of the farming operations on the farm.

43-54 (Reserved)

Section 2 Land Determinations

55 Tract

A Definition of Tract

[7 CFR Part 718.2] A tract is a unit of contiguous land that is both of the following:

- under 1 ownership
- operated as a farm or a part of a farm.

B Tract Determinations

After applying the rule in subparagraph A, determine tracts according to this table.

IF the land is	THEN classify as
part of a field that extends into the adjoining county, and	1 tract.
the county boundary is not clearly defined	
entirely in another county or bisected by a clearly defined	separate tracts.
county line	
bisected by community or township lines, roads, streams,	1 tract, unless circumstances
or other boundary	justify separate tracts.

56 Farm

A Definition of Farm

A <u>farm</u> is made up of tracts that have the same owner and the same operator.

Land with different owners may be combined if all the land is operated by 1 producer with all of the following elements in common and substantially separate from other tracts:

- labor
- equipment
- accounting system
- management.

Note: Land on which other producers provide their own labor and equipment and do not meet the definition of an operator, shall not be considered a separate farm.

57-67 (Reserved)

Part 4 Initiating a Reconstitution

68 Overview

A Previously Constituted Land

[7 CFR Part 718.201] Land that was properly constituted under procedures existing at the time of reconstitution shall remain so constituted until a change in operation or ownership occurs that requires a reconstitution.

B Approval Restrictions

COC shall not approve a reconstitution by combination or division if it determines that the primary purpose of the reconstitution is to do either of the following:

- increase the amount of program benefits received
- circumvent any other program provisions, penalties, or reductions.

69 Substantive Change in Farming Operations and Changes to Legal Entities

A Approval Restrictions

Land that is properly constituted shall not be reconstituted if:

- the reconstitution request is based on the formation of a newly established entity that owns or operates the farm or any part of it, and COC determines there is not a substantive change in the farming operation
- COC determines that the primary purpose of the request for the reconstitution is to:
 - obtain additional benefits under any commodity program
 - avoid damages under a contract or statute
 - correct an erroneous acreage report
 - circumvent other program provisions.

In addition, no farm shall remain as constituted when COC determines that a substantive change in the farming operation has occurred that would require a reconstitution, except as otherwise approved by STC with the concurrence of DAFP.

B Determining Substantive Change

In determining whether substantive change has occurred with respect to a farming operation, COC shall consider factors such as composition of the legal entities having an interest in the farming operation with respect to management, financing, and accounting. COC shall also consider the use of land, labor, and equipment available to the farming operations and any other relevant factors that bear on the determination.

69 Substantive Change in Farming Operations and Changes to Legal Entities (Continued)

C STC Approval

Unless otherwise approved by STC with the concurrence of DAFP, when COC determines that a corporation, trust, or other legal entity is formed primarily for the purpose of obtaining additional benefits under the commodity programs, the farm shall remain as constituted or shall be reconstituted, as applicable, when the farm is owned and operated by 1 of the following:

- a corporation having more than 50 percent stock owned by members of the same family living in the same household
- corporations having more than 50 percent of the stock owned by stockholders common to more than 1 corporation
- trusts in which the beneficiaries and trustees are family members living in the same household.

70 Who May Initiate

A Who May Initiate a Reconstitution

[7 CFR Part 718.203] A reconstitution may be initiated by:

- the farm operator
- the farm owner
- COC.

B FSA-155 Signatures

Signatures required on FSA-155 vary depending on the:

- type of reconstitution
- method of division, if applicable.

Notes: FSA-155's initiated by COC are not required to have owner or operator signatures. However, the County Office shall use the signature lines provided in item 16 to include a statement that the reconstitution is being initiated by COC. A date shall be included with this statement.

An operator may request a reconstitution without the owner's signature if the reconstitution would be required by COC.

C Annual Review

COC shall:

- annually review appropriate documents to determine that land is properly constituted
- process reconstitution if a farm is improperly constituted.

71 When to Initiate

A Required Reconstitutions

[7 CFR Part 718.201] A reconstitution is required and shall be initiated when any of the following occur.

- A change has been made in the operation of the land since the last reconstitution, and the farm no longer meets the definition of a farm in paragraph 56. As applicable, initiate either of the following:
 - a farm combination according to paragraph 88
 - a farm division according to paragraph 111.

Note: Restrictions in paragraph 68 apply.

- The farm was not properly constituted under the applicable regulations in effect at the time of the last reconstitution. Make corrections according to paragraph 74.
- COC determines that the farm was reconstituted on a basis of false information provided by the owner or farm operator.
- COC determines that the tracts of land included in a farm are not being operated as a single farm according to paragraph 56.
- An owner requests in writing that the owner's land no longer be included in a farm that is composed of tracts under separate ownership. See paragraph 111 for farm divisions.
- Farms are participating in DCP, have the same owner, are located in the same county, and are operated as 1 farm.

When to Initiate (Continued)

B Timing of Farm Reconstitutions

To be effective for the current FY, farm combinations and farm divisions must be requested by August 1 of the FY for farms subject to DCP.

Notes: A request for a farm combination or farm division after current FY DCP payments have been made shall be processed in the subsequent FY. However, if the producer requests that the reconstitution not be processed in the subsequent FY, all payments shall be refunded. After the payment is refunded, the reconstitution may be processed.

When money has been received from the producers on the farm or farms to be reconstituted, cancel CCC-509. By canceling CCC-509, the producers who received payments will be listed on the overpayment register. The amounts listed on the overpayment register can then be transferred to CRS so the DCP refund can be processed.

County Offices **shall not** apply DCP payments issued on the resulting farm or farms to repay DCP payments issued on the parent farm or farms.

A reconstitution is considered to be requested when all:

- of the required signatures are on FSA-155
- other applicable documentation, such as proof of ownership, is submitted.

When to Initiate (Continued)

C Timing of Tract Divisions

Tract divisions shall be processed at any time during the FY to ensure tract record accuracy.

If a farm reconstitution is required, process the reconstitution according to subparagraph B and paragraph 73.

D Total CRP Non-DCP Farms

The following farms may be reconstituted at any time:

- total CRP, without CRP reduction or CRP pending acres
- non-DCP.

E Completion Date

County Offices shall update reconstitutions by August 31 of the FY. This will allow sufficient time for producers to return signatures and documentation by the deadline for DCP.

F Software Lockout

Starting August 15, the reconstitution software will not allow a farm combination or farm division to be initiated for the current FY on a farm:

- with DCP bases
- protecting CAB's under a CRP contract.

Note: This means that farm reconstitutions on these farms must be initiated by COB August 14. A reconstitution cannot be initiated on August 15.

The software to initiate farm level reconstitutions will be opened for the following FY when farm record rollover is performed.

How to Initiate

A Requesting a Reconstitution

[7 CFR Part 218.203] Any request for a farm reconstitution shall be filed with COC. County Offices shall prepare FSA-155 for each requested reconstitution.

Note: A separate FSA-155 is not required for a tract division if the reconstitution also includes a farm division.

B Completing FSA-155

Complete FSA-155 according to this table.

Item	Instructions	
1	Enter State and county name.	
2	Enter computer-assigned reconstitution number.	
3	Check the appropriate box for the type of reconstitution. When the request is	
	for a tract division and followed by a farm division, check both boxes.	
4	Enter a brief explanation of the reason for the reconstitution.	
	Examples: "Tract 100 sold." or "Operator change."	
5	Enter approximate date of change, such as sale or lease date.	
6	Enter the following data for each parent and resulting farm and/or tract:	
	 farm data when item 3 indicates a farm combination or division tract data when item 3 indicates a tract combination or division 	
	 tract and farm data when item 3 indicates a tract division and a farm division. 	
7 A	For divisions, enter each crop on the parent farm from FSA-156EZ.	
7 B	For divisions, enter appropriate base for each crop on the parent farm.	
7 C	Check appropriate method of division for each base on the parent farm.	
8 A	Enter the appropriate farm number, tract number, crop, and base acres on the	
through	parent farm if the method of division is landowner designation or estate.	
D	ENTER "N/A" if not applicable.	

How to Initiate (Continued)

B Completing FSA-155 (Continued)

Item	Instructions
8 E	If the method division is landowner designation or estate, enter the following for each crop on the resulting farms:
	farm numbertract number
	acres of bases.
	When there are more than 4 resulting tracts or farms, continue on another FSA-155 and attach it to the original document.
9 A and C	Obtain all owners' signatures for the landowner designation method of division unless an MOU has been signed by the buyers and sellers designating the distribution of bases.
	When more signature blocks are required, continue on another FSA-155 and attach it to the original document.
10 through 14	Review each question and enter a checkmark in the appropriate column. If "Yes" is checked for item 10, list requested crops.
15	Obtain appropriate signatures and dates. A reconstitution is considered to be requested when all:
	• of the required signatures are obtained on FSA-155
	Note: Appropriate documentation according to 1-CM must be on file in the County Office for persons signing in a representative authority.
	other applicable documentation, such as proof of ownership, is submitted
	Exception: For COC-initiated FSA-155's, see subparagraph 70 B.
16 A and B	COC shall sign and date, unless COC has delegated authority to CED according to paragraph 262. Sign according to the following:
	• for farm level reconstitutions, sign after the reconstitution is initiated in the computer and it is in pending status
	• for tract level reconstitutions, sign after the combination or division is completed in the computer.
16 C	Enter a checkmark to indicate either approved or disapproved.

How to Initiate (Continued)

C Example of FSA-155

The following is an example of FSA-155.

This form is available electronically. FSA-155 USD				A 1. County FSA Na	me and Address		form Approved - OMB No. 0560-002 3. Type of Reconstitution			
(01-27-05)			Barton County FSA			100000000000000000000000000000000000000				
REQUEST FOR FARM RECONSTITUTION				1520 Kansas	and the second		Farm Tract Division			
				Great Bend,	KS 67530					
					Division	Division X Combination				
				Reconstitution Reason for Reconstitution			5. Approximate Date of Change (MM-DD-YYYY) 01-28-2005 1995, as amended. The authority for			
				1.50L 300000000000000000000000000000000000	N/2027/00/27/00/2016					
NOTE: The follo		do 10	h tha Daireau Aat af	Purchased T		35.000.000.000				
will result Departm and civil Accordin displays	t in the denial of furthe ent of Justice, or othe fraud statutes, includi g to the Paperwork Ri a valid OMB control n	er monies or other pr ir State and Federal I ing 18 USC 286, 287 eduction Act of 1995 number. The valid ON	ogram benefits as n .aw enforcement ag .371, 651, 1001; 15 an agency may not 1B control number f	equired by existing law a tencies and in response a USC 714m; and 31 US conduct or sponsor, an or this information collec	and regulations. This info to a court magistrate or a C 3729, maybe applicab d a person is not required tion is 0560-0025. The ti	Rural Investment Act of a allure to furnish and file it mation maybe provided to doministrative tribunal. The le to the information provi of to respond to, a collection me required to complete turces, gathering and main FSA OFFICE.	o other agencie e provisions of ded. In of information his information	es, IRS, criminal n unless it collection		
6. FARM IDEN										
Α.	В.	C.	D.	E.	F.		G.			
Parent Farm or Tract No.	Total Farmland	Total Cropland	Total DCP Cropland	Farm Identifier	Operator		Owner			
1985	20.0	19.5	19.5		James Roe	Scot	Snavely			
H. Resulting Farm o	I. TOtal	J. Total	K. Total DCP	L. Farm Identifier	M. Operator		N. Owner			
Tract No.	Farmland	Cropland	Cropland		James Roe	2	G1			
2501	15.0	16.3	16.3		values noe		Scot Snavely			
2502	5.0	3.2	3.2		Tim Reed	Tim F	leed			
7. METHOD O	F DIVISION:									
	Α.			В.		C. Check Appro	priate Method			
	Crop		Parent Farm/Tract Bases Es			Estate Designation	DCP Cropland	Default		
Wheat			5.4	1			2.2pm/d	Х		
Corn			3.2					х		
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How to Initiate (Continued)

C Example of FSA-155 (Continued)

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					Base	Base	Base	,	Bas	е
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9. SELLER AND PURC										
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11. Is the parent farm in	CRP?									Х
12. If combination, will	combined farm be ope	rated as a single f	arming unit?							
13. Are there any adver	rse HELC flags on fari	ms or tracts being	combined? If "YE	S", refe	r to NRCS.					
14. A. Has cost share					?					Х
B. If "YES", has ne	w owner and/or opera	tor been informed	of requirements	?						
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73 Effective Dates

A Rule

[7 CFR Part 718.204] Determine the effective dates of reconstitutions according to this table.

IF the Farm is	AND the reconstitution was requested	AND payments have	THEN the effective date is the
subject to DCP	by August 1	not been issued	current FY.
		been issued and all payments have been refunded	
		been issued but producers will not refund all payments	next FY.
	after August 1		next FY.
not subject to DCP			current FY.

Notes: The reconstitution shall not be processed in the computer until the appropriate FY.

Tract divisions shall be processed at any time during the FY to ensure tract record accuracy. If a farm reconstitution is required, process the reconstitution according to subparagraph 71 B and this paragraph.

DCP payments shall not be refunded when only a tract division or tract combination is being processed.

A request for a farm combination or farm division after current FY DCP payments have been made shall be processed in the subsequent FY. However, if the producer requests that the reconstitution be processed in the current FY, all payments shall be refunded. After the payment is refunded, the reconstitution may be processed.

When money has been received from the producers on the farm or farms to be reconstituted, cancel CCC-509 according to paragraphs 217 and 230. By canceling CCC-509, the producers who received payments will be listed on the overpayment register. The amounts listed on the overpayment register can then be transferred to CRS so the DCP refund can be processed.

County Offices **shall not** apply DCP payments issued on the resulting farm or farms to repay DCP payments issued on the parent farm or farms.

74 Corrections

A Prior Reconstitutions

[7 CFR Part 718.201] Reconstitute a farm if either of the following apply:

- the land was not properly constituted under the regulations in effect when the farm was last constituted
- COC determines that misrepresentation occurred.

Note: Misrepresentation includes:

- side agreements between buyer and seller that defeat the program
- knowingly disclosing false information regarding land ownership or farm operation
- knowingly taking actions to defeat program purposes.

B Correction Effective Date

The effective date for corrections because of misrepresentation by producer or error made by the County Office is the FY in which the reconstitution correcting the error would be effective.

75-86 (Reserved)

Part 5 Types of Reconstitutions

87 Overview

A Reconstitution Types

The following are 4 types of reconstitutions:

- farm combinations
- farm divisions
- tract combinations
- tract divisions.

B Definition of Farm Combination

A <u>farm combination</u> is the consolidation of 2 or more farms, having the same operator, into 1 farm.

C Definition of Farm Division

A <u>farm division</u> is the dividing of a farm into 2 or more farms because of a change in ownership or operation.

D Definition of Tract Combination

A <u>tract combination</u> is the optional consolidation of 2 or more tracts because of common ownership unit and contiguous land.

E Definition of Tract Division

A <u>tract division</u> is the dividing of a tract into 2 or more tracts because of a change in ownership or operation. A tract division does not always require a subsequent farm division.

Section 1 Combinations

Subsection 1 Farm Combinations

88 Common Ownership Farm Combinations

A Definition of Common Ownership Unit

A <u>common ownership unit</u> is a distinguishable part of a farm, consisting of 1 or more tracts of land with the same owners, as determined by FSA.

B Required Combinations

Farms shall be combined when:

- both of the following apply:
 - the tracts are under common ownership unit
 - the resulting farm would meet the definition of a farm in paragraph 56

Note: All DCP farms with the same owner, operated as 1 farm, and located in the same county, shall be combined.

- the farm was not properly constituted under the applicable procedure in effect at the time of the last reconstitution
- COC determines that the farm was reconstituted on the basis of false information provided by the owner or farm operator.

Notes: Combinations of CRP land with non-CRP land are not required even though the criteria in this subparagraph may be met.

DCP and non-DCP farms may be combined.

89 Separate Ownership Farm Combinations

A Basic Rule

Combinations of land under separate ownership:

- are voluntary
- shall not be encouraged.

B Criteria for Combinations

[7 CFR Part 718.201] Land under separate ownership may be combined if all of the following apply:

- the resulting farm meets the definition of a farm in paragraph 56
- all owners agree in writing
- the land is under a lease agreement of at least 1 year.

Note: DCP and non-DCP farms may be combined.

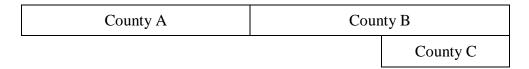
90 Combinations Across State and County Lines

A Base and Non-Base Farms

[7 CFR Part 718.201] Farms across State or county lines may be combined upon request if all of the following conditions apply:

- the farms meet the criteria for being transferred according to 3-CM
- the farms meet the criteria for combination according to paragraph 88 or 89
- •*--any of the following:--*
 - counties that are contiguous; that is, touching at corners, sides, etc

Example: County A is contiguous to County B. County B is contiguous to County C.



Land in counties A, B, and C may be combined if there are parent farms located in all 3 counties.

If the land in County B is divided from the farm, separate the land in counties A and C, because counties A and C are not contiguous.

- farms within 20 road miles of each other
- counties divided by a river
- counties that do not touch because of a correction line adjustment.

91 Combining Federally and State-Owned Land

A Federal Land

[7 CFR Part 718.201] Federally owned land shall not be combined with privately-owned land.

B State Land

[7 CFR Part 718.201] Wildlife land owned by State entities shall not be combined with privately-owned land.

Exception: State-owned wildlife land may be combined with privately owned land when

the former owner has possession of the land under a leasing agreement.

92-99 (Reserved)

Subsection 2 Tract Combinations

100 Common Ownership Tract Combinations

A Definition of Common Ownership Unit

A <u>common ownership unit</u> is a distinguishable part of a farm, consisting of 1 or more tracts of land with the same owners, as determined by FSA.

B Permitted Combinations

Tracts may be combined when all the following conditions are met:

- tracts are associated with the same farm number
- tracts have common ownership unit
- tracts are contiguous
- owner agrees.

C Combining Tracts Across State and County Lines

Tracts may be combined across State and county lines if there is no defined county boundary. Use the State and county codes where the majority of the combined tract is located for the "Physical Location". Use the "Congressional District" code associated with the "Physical Location" code.

101 Initiating Tract Combinations

A Before Initiating Tract Combination

Before initiating a tract combination, verify that the:

- tracts are on the same farm
- tracts have the same ownership
- tracts are contiguous
- owner agrees, by signing FSA-155
- FSA-155 was completed according to paragraph 72.

102-110 (Reserved)

Section 2 Divisions

Subsection 1 Reasons for Divisions

111 Reasons for Farm Divisions

A Rules

Following are rules for dividing farms.

	Who May Initiate
Reason for Farm Division	Reconstitution
Part of the farm is sold or ownership changes and the land no longer	COC, owner, or
meets the definition of a farm in paragraph 56.	operator
The land no longer meets the definition of a farm in paragraph 56.	COC, owner, or
	operator
The farm was not properly constituted under the applicable	COC, owner, or
regulations in effect at the time of the last reconstitution.	operator
COC determines that the farm was reconstituted on the basis of false	COC
information provided by the owner or farm operator.	
An owner of a multiple-ownership farm requests, in writing, that the	owner
land owned by that owner no longer be included in the farm.	
Note: This request must be in writing; however, the owner's	
signature on FSA-155 may serve as the written request. When	
a tract of land on a multiple-ownership farm is owned by	
persons with undivided interest, only 1 undivided interest	
owner's request and signature is required.	
One or more owners of the parent farm refuse to sign CRP-15.	COC or any owner.

The resulting farms shall be administratively located in the county where the land is physically located.

112 Reasons for Tract Divisions

A Rules

Following are rules for dividing tracts.

Reason for Tract Division	Who May Initiate Reconstitution
The tract no longer meets the definition of a tract according to	COC or owner
paragraph 55.	
Part of the tract is sold or ownership changes.	COC or owner

113-119 (Reserved)

Subsection 2 Methods of Division

120 Overview

A What Are the Methods of Division

[7 CFR Part 718.205] The methods of division in priority order are shown in this table.

Priority Order	Method of Division	Paragraph Reference
1	Estate.	121
2	Designation by landowner.	122
3	DCP cropland (applicable to base acres for tract divisions only).	124
4	Default (applicable to base acres for farm divisions only).	125

B Selection of Methods

Select the proper method of division:

- on a crop-by-crop basis
- using the priority order in subparagraph A.

121 Estate

A Definition of Estate Method

[7 CFR Part 718.205] The <u>estate method</u> is the division of bases for a parent farm among heirs in settling an estate.

B Documentation Required

Divide bases among heirs according to this subparagraph.

To divide a farm by the estate method, obtain either of the following documentation and attach to FSA-155:

copy of the will by the testator

Note: COC shall determine whether a division can be made reasonably according to the terms of the will. If COC determines the terms are not reasonable, do not use the estate method.

• written agreement by all heirs or devisees who acquire an interest in the property for which bases have been established.

Notes: The written statement shall only be used if there is no will or COC determines the terms of the will are not clear as to the division of the bases.

An agreement by the administrator or executor shall not be accepted instead of an agreement by the heirs or devisees.

C FSA-155 Signature Requirements

Signatures are not required on FSA-155, however, a copy of the will or written agreement signed by all heirs or devisees shall be attached to FSA-155.

121 Estate (Continued)

D Land Sold Before Estate Is Settled

If the estate sells a tract of land before the farm is divided according to subparagraph B, complete the following reconstitutions:

- divide the land sold from the parent farm as follows:
 - do not use the estate method
 - use the next appropriate method of division
- divide the remainder of the farm among the heirs using the estate method.

E COC Determination

COC shall determine whether a division can be made reasonably according to the terms of the will. If COC determines that the terms are not reasonable, do not use the estate method.

F Double-Cropped Acres

Double-cropped acres must go with the base acres. Before dividing a farm with double-cropped acres, ensure that sufficient effective DCP cropland plus double-cropped acres will be on each resulting farm to support the designated bases. If the effective DCP cropland plus double-cropped acres will not be sufficient to cover the bases, use CCC-517, according to 3-CM, to move double-cropped acres as needed **before** the division is processed.

122 Designation by Landowner

A Definition of Designation by Landowner Method

[7 CFR Part 718.205] The <u>designation by landowner method</u> is the division of bases in the manner agreed to by the parent farm owner and purchaser or transferee.

B When This Method May Be Used

The designation by landowner method may be used when any of the following apply:

- part of a farm is sold or ownership is transferred
- an entire farm is sold to 2 or more persons
- farm ownership is transferred to 2 or more persons
- part of a tract is sold or ownership is transferred
- a tract is sold to 2 or more persons
- tract ownership is transferred to 2 or more persons.

C FSA-155 Signature Requirements

FSA-155 shall be signed by all of the following:

- sellers
- buyers (transferees).

Exception:

When an MOU that is signed by all sellers and buyers is filed, signatures of all sellers and buyers are not required on FSA-155. However, a copy of the MOU shall be attached to FSA-155.

D Multiple-Ownership Farms

If a tract will be divided before the farm is divided using the designation by landowner method, divide the tract using the standard method of division before dividing the farm.

122 Designation by Landowner (Continued)

E Eligibility Requirements

All of the requirements in this table must be met to use the designation by landowner method.

Description	Requirement		
3-Year	The land sold or transferred must have been owned for at least 3 years.		
Ownership	See subparagraph G for a waiver of this 3-year requirement.		
MOU	The owner of the parent farm and the purchaser or transferee shall file a signed MOU designating bases before either of the following occurs: • the farm is reconstituted; that is, COC or designee signs the COC report		
	 any subsequent transfer of ownership. An MOU may be revised to meet the eligibility requirements in this subparagraph. Note: A deed is not an MOU. 		

F Revising Designation

If COC determines that bases cannot be divided in the manner designated, the owner shall be notified and permitted to revise the designation.

If a revised designation is not provided within a reasonable time, or if it does not meet the conditions of this paragraph, the bases will be divided using the next appropriate method.

122 Designation by Landowner (Continued)

G Waiver of 3-Year Requirement

COC may waive the 3-year ownership requirement if COC determines that the sale was not primarily to keep or sell bases.

If COC does **not** waive the 3-year requirement and only a portion of the land sold or transferred has been owned for less than 3 years, complete the following reconstitutions:

- divide the parent farm to separate the land owned for less than 3 years using the default method of division
- divide the land owned for 3 years or more using the designation by landowner method.

H Leased Indian Tribal Land

If land owned by an Indian Tribal Council is leased to 2 or more producers:

- allow the Indian Tribal Council to use the designation by landowner method
- do not apply the eligibility requirements in subparagraph E.

I Double-Cropped Acres

Double-cropped acres must go with the base acres. Before dividing a farm with double-cropped acres, ensure that sufficient effective DCP cropland plus double-cropped acres will be on each resulting farm to support the designated bases. If the effective DCP cropland plus double-cropped acres will not be sufficient to cover the bases, use CCC-517 according to 3-CM, to move double-cropped acres as needed **before** the division is processed.

123 Publicizing Designation by Landowner Method of Division

A Publicizing Method of Division

County Offices shall:

- publicize the designation by landowner method of division, including the definition and criteria for its use
- distribute the information in any manner available including, but not limited to:
 - newspaper articles
 - newsletters
 - radio and television spots.

B When to Publicize

Publicize this method of division:

- once a year, at a minimum
- toward the end of each FY.

Note: This will ensure that producers are familiar with the method and criteria throughout the coming FY.

124 DCP Cropland

A Definition of DCP Cropland Method

[7 CFR Part 718.205] The <u>DCP cropland method</u> is the division of bases in the same proportion that the DCP cropland for each resulting tract relates to the DCP cropland on the parent tract.

B Verifying DCP Cropland

Before using the DCP cropland method, verify the DCP cropland acres on each tract. Redetermine the acreage if there is any question, doubt, or suspicion about the authenticity of the DCP cropland acreage on record.

C When to Use This Method

The DCP cropland method may be used if COC determines paragraphs 121 and 122 do not apply.

D When Not to Use This Method

The DCP cropland method shall not be used to divide base acres in a farm division.

E FSA-155 Signature Requirements

FSA-155 shall be signed by 1 of the following:

- owner
- operator.

Note: The owner's signature is not required for a reconstitution initiated by the operator if the division would be required by COC.

125 Default

A Definition of Default Method

The <u>default method</u> is the division of bases for a parent farm with each tract maintaining the bases attributed to the tract level when the reconstitution is initiated in the system.

B When to Use This Method

The default method may be used if COC determines paragraphs 121 and 122 do not apply.

C FSA-155 Signature Requirements

FSA-155 shall be signed by 1 of the following:

- owner removing the tract or tracts
- operator.

Note: The owner's signature is not required for a reconstitution initiated by the operator if the division would be required by COC.

126-134 (Reserved)

Subsection 3 Adjustments After Farm Divisions

135 Base Adjustments

A Basic Rule

[7 CFR Part 718.205] Base acres apportioned among the resulting farms using the default method may be increased or decreased with respect to a farm by as much as 10 percent of the crop's base on the parent farm if all of the following apply:

- COC determines that the method used provided an inequitable distribution considering:
 - available land
 - cultural operations
 - changes in the type of farming conducted on the farm
- all owners agree in writing
- the increase in base acres with respect to a farm is offset by a corresponding decrease for the base acres established on the other resulting farm or farms.

B Applying Adjustment

Adjustments shall be applied to base acres by clicking "Yes" to the question, "Do variations apply for DCP yields or Base acres?" Update reconstitutions after COC approval on the Farm Reconstitution Approve/Delete Screen, according to paragraph 268.

135 Base Adjustments (Continued)

C Adjustment Example

Parent and Resulting Farm Data Before Adjustment.

Parent Farm 100 was divided into Resulting Farms 501 and 502. The following table identifies the base acres for Parent Farm 100 and Resulting Farms 501 and 502 before the adjustment is applied.

Farm	Farm #	Wheat Base Acres	Corn Base Acres
Parent	100	160.0	225.0
Resulting	501	48.8	211.5
	502	111.2	13.5

Although both tracts contributed to each crop when the farms were originally combined, since the combination the tracts now making up Resulting Farm:

- 501 produced only corn
- 502 produced only wheat.

Determining the Adjustment.

Because of the change in the type of farming, all owners on all resulting farms agree to use the adjustment to move:

• all of the corn base acres to Resulting Farm 501

Note: Multiply the corn base acres from Parent Farm 100 times 10 percent to determine the maximum adjustment ($225.0 \times .10 = 22.5$). All available corn base acres can be moved from Resulting Farm 502 to Resulting Farm 501 because the maximum 10 percent is not exceeded.

• some of the wheat base acres to Resulting Farm 502.

Note: Multiply the wheat base acres from Parent Farm 100 times 10 percent to determine the maximum adjustment ($160.0 \times .10 = 16.0$). No more than 16 base acres of wheat may be moved.

135 Base Adjustments (Continued)

C Adjustment Example (Continued)

Resulting Farm Data After the Adjustment.

The following table identifies the wheat and corn base acres after the adjustment is applied.

Resulting Farm	Wheat Base Acres	Corn Base Acres
501	32.8	225.0
502	127.2	0.0

136 Direct and CC Yield Adjustments

A Basic Rule

[7 CFR Part 718.205] Farm program payment yields calculated for the resulting farms of a division may be increased or decreased if all of the following apply:

- COC determines that the division provided an inequitable distribution considering:
 - available land
 - cultural operations
 - changes in the type of farming conducted on the farm
 - farm's original yield when combined
- the increase in a farm program payment yield on a resulting farm is offset by a corresponding decrease on another resulting farm of the division.

B Adjusting Direct and CC Yields

Use the following guidelines to determine whether 1 yield may be adjusted or if both yields must be adjusted.

If the direct and CC yields are:

• different, either yield or both yields may be adjusted

Note: If both yields are adjusted, they may be adjusted by different amounts.

• the same, both yields shall be adjusted and be adjusted by the same amount.

136 Direct and CC Yield Adjustments (Continued)

C Applying Adjustment

Yield adjustments shall be applied to program crops by updating reconstitutions after COC approval on the Farm Reconstitution Approve/Delete Screen, according to paragraph 268.

D Adjustment Example When Direct and CC Yields Are Different

In this example, the direct and CC yields are different. In this case, either or both yields may be adjusted and they may be adjusted by different amounts. Use the following data for the example.

	Tract		Direct		
Tract	Wheat	Tract Wheat	Extension	Tract Wheat	CC Extension
No.	Acres	Direct Yield	(Acres x Yield)	CC Yield	(Acres x Yield)
600	35.0	50	1,750	47	1,645
1492	20.0	50	1,000	47	940
1500	15.0	50	750	47	705
Total			3,500		3,290

In this example, only the direct yield will be adjusted.

During the division, Tracts 600 and 1492 are assigned to Resulting Farm 800 and Tract 1500 is assigned to Resulting Farm 801.

Both resulting farms have a wheat payment yield of 50. Tract 1492 has very good quality soil and consistently produces a yield of 65. Tract 1500 has poor quality soil and has yield potential of less than 50.

COC determined that the yield on Tract 1492 will be increased to 65 and the yield on Tract 1500 will be decreased.

The sum of the resulting farms' extensions cannot exceed the parent farm extension.

Exception: The parent farm extension may be exceeded only because of normal rounding rules.

136 Direct and CC Yield Adjustments (Continued)

D Adjustment Example When Direct and CC Yields Are Different (Continued)

Use the following table to determine the resulting farm's direct extension and tract yield.

Step	Action			
1	Multiply the acreage from Tract 1492 times the new yield of 65. $(20.0 \times 65 = 1,300)$			
2	Multiply the acreage from Tract 600 times the established yield. $(35.0 \times 50 = 1,750)$			
3	Add the results from steps 1 and 2. $(1,750 + 1,300 = 3,050)$			
4	Subtract the result of step 3 from the parent farm extension. $(3,500 - 3,050 = 450)$			
	Result: The extension for Tract 1500 is 450.			
5	Divide the result of step 4 by the acres from Tract 1500. $(450 \div 15.0 = 30)$			
	Result: The yield for Tract 1500 is 30.			

During the adjustment update process, the direct yield for Tract:

- 1492 would be increased to 65
- 1500 would be decreased to 30.

Use the same calculations when adjusting the CC yield.

E Adjustment Example When Direct and CC Yields Are the Same

In this example, the direct and CC yields are the same. Because the yields are the same, both must be adjusted and adjusted by the same amount. Use the following data for the example.

Tract	Tract Wheat	Tract Wheat Direct and	Direct and CC
No.	Acres	CC Yield	Extension (Acres x Yield)
300	30.0	50	1,500
500	20.0	50	1,000
1400	15.0	50	750
Total			3,250

136 Direct and CC Yield Adjustments (Continued)

E Adjustment Example When Direct and CC Yields Are the Same (Continued)

During the division, Tracts 300 and 500 are assigned to Resulting Farm 900 and Tract 1400 is assigned to Resulting Farm 901.

Both resulting farms have a wheat payment yield of 50. Tract 500 has very good quality soil and consistently produces a yield of 65. Tract 1400 has poor quality soil and has yield potential of less than 50.

COC determined that the yield on Tract 500 will be increased to 65 and the yield on Tract 1400 will be decreased.

The sum of the resulting farms' extensions cannot exceed the parent farm extension.

Exception: The parent farm extension may be exceeded only because of normal rounding rules.

Use the following table to determine the resulting farm's direct and CC yields.

Step	Action				
1	Multiply the acreage from Tract 500 times the new yield of 65. $(20.0 \times 65 = 1,300)$				
2	Multiply the acreage from Tract 300 times the established yield. $(30.0 \times 50 = 1,500)$				
3	Add the results from steps 1 and 2. $(1,300 + 1,500 = 2,800)$				
4	Subtract the result of step 3 from the parent farm extension. $(3,250 - 2,800 = 450)$				
	Result: The extension for Tract 1400 is 450.				
5	Divide the result of step 4 by the acres from Tract 1400. $(450 \div 15.0 = 30)$				
	Result: The yield for Tract 1400 is 30.				

During the adjustment update process, the direct and CC yields for Tract:

- 500 would be increased to 65
- 1400 would be decreased to 30.

137-151 (Reserved)

Part 6 CRP Reconstitutions

152 Overview

A Rule

If the operator of a farm which contains land enrolled in CRP-1 does not share in CRP, review the farming operation to ensure that the land meets the definition of a farm according to paragraph 56.

Note: If the farm is under common ownership and the operator does not share in the CRP-1, do not divide the farm.

B Distributing CRP Reduction Acres

Before a reconstitution is initiated, the CRP reduction acres shall be moved to the tracts that will make up the CRP farm with CRP-15.

These reduction acres shall be distributed:

- to the tracts on the CRP farm in the same proportion as DCP cropland on each tract
- using tract maintenance software according to 3-CM.

C Distribution of Acres

Before a reconstitution is initiated, the sum of the tract level data must equal the farm level data for the following:

- CRP acres
- CRP MPL acres, if applicable
- CRP pending acres, if applicable
- CRP reduction acres, if applicable.

Note: CRP pending acres are the result of an expired or terminated CRP-1.

Follow procedure in 3-CM for tract maintenance to distribute the CRP acres, pending acres, and reduction acres.

153 Dividing Farms During CRP Signup

A Dividing Farms for Current Year Contracts

Divide farms that enter into CRP-1's if either of the following applies:

• the land no longer meets the definition of a farm in paragraph 56

Exception: If the farm is under common ownership and the operator does not share in CRP-1, do not divide the farm.

• 1 or more owners refuse to sign CRP-15 or CRP-1 that will be effective in either the current or future FY. For future year contracts, see subparagraph B.

B Dividing Farms for Future Year Contracts

Process the reconstitution in the FY CRP-1 is effective.

154-159 (Reserved)

160 Dividing Tracts With Base Acres and CRP, WBP, State Conservation, Other Conservation, or WRP

A Using Effective DCP Cropland Acres to Divide Tracts With CRP, WBP, State Conservation, Other Conservation, or WRP

When dividing a tract with CRP, WBP, State conservation, other conservation, or WRP acres, County Offices are authorized to distribute the base acres on the resulting tracts based on the effective DCP cropland acres on each resulting tract. Use the designation by landowner method of division in the computer to place the base acres on the resulting tract or tracts, as applicable.

The base acres may only go to the other resulting tracts and not to any other tract on the farm. If an out-of-balance tract is created during the tract division, refer to 3-CM (Rev. 4) to redistribute excess base acres after the tract division is completed.

Using the effective DCP cropland acres to distribute base acres will, in most cases:

- distribute the correct number of base acres to each resulting tract
- eliminate out-of-balance resulting tracts.

Document on the COC report that the designation method of division was used according to this paragraph.

Note: The owner's signature is not required on FSA-155 to use the designation by landowner method of division to divide tracts according to this paragraph.

Dividing Tracts With Base Acres and CRP, WBP, State Conservation, Other Conservation, or WRP (Continued)

B Example

The example in this subparagraph demonstrates the results of a tract division using the designation by landowner method when dividing CRP, WBP, State conservation, other conservation, or WRP acres from the parent tract.

Note: This example uses CRP acres, but all other acres in this paragraph would be handled the same way.

The following table shows data for a farm that has CRP acres on a tract. All tracts on the farm are in balance.

Tract No.	DCP Cropland Acres	CRP Acres	Effective DCP Cropland Acres	Base Acres
1	300	150	150	150
2	100	0	100	50
3	200	0	200	100

Tract 1 will be divided with all of the CRP acres going to resulting tract 100 and the base acres going to resulting tract 101.

Using the DCP cropland method of division would result in the CRP tract receiving base acres without any DCP cropland acres to support the bases, as shown in the following table. After completion of the tract division using the DCP cropland method, tract 100 is out of balance. The 75 excess base acres on tract 100 would have to be redistributed to the remaining tracts on the farm.

	DCP Cropland		Effective DCP	Base	Excess Base
Tract No.	Acres	CRP Acres	Cropland Acres	Acres	Acres
100	150	150	0	75	75
101	150	0	150	75	0
2	100	0	100	50	0
3	200	0	200	100	0

Dividing Tracts With Base Acres and CRP, WBP, State Conservation, Other Conservation, or WRP (Continued)

B Example (Continued)

By using effective DCP cropland acres and the designation by landowner method to divide tract 1, the farm would look like the following. During the division, 0 base acres would be entered for tract 100 and 150 base acres would be entered for tract 101 during the tract division.

	DCP Cropland		Effective DCP	Base	Excess Base
Tract No.	Acres	CRP Acres	Cropland Acres	Acres	Acres
100	150	150	0	0	0
101	150	0	150	150	0
2	100	0	100	50	0
3	200	0	200	100	0

161-170 (Reserved)

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Part 7 Sugarcane Reconstitutions

171 Provisions

A Background

This part:

- contains procedure for reconstituting sugarcane acreage bases
- is applicable to Louisiana only.

B Methods of Division

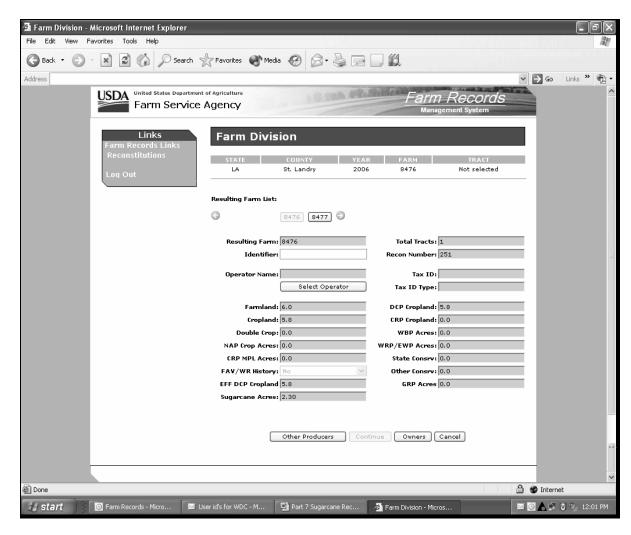
The applicable methods of division in priority order are shown in this table.

Priority Order	Method of Division
1	Estate
2	Designation by landowner
3	DCP cropland (applicable to tract divisions only)
4	Default (applicable to farm divisions only)

172 Farm Divisions

A Background

Sugarcane acreage base will be displayed only on Farm Division Screen as follows. There will be no opportunity to select a specific method of division.



172 Farm Divisions (Continued)

B Estate and Designation by Landowner

Sugarcane acreage bases for each resulting farm must be computed and tract level acres updated before initiating a farm division when sugarcane acreage bases will be divided by the estate or designation method. If a resulting farm will have multiple tracts, use the steps in the following table to determine the sugarcane acreage bases to be on each tract of the resulting farm.

Step	Action				
1	Using	Using the information in the will, written agreement of all heirs or the MOU,			
	determ	determine the sugarcane acreage base for each resulting farm.			
2	Determine the distribution of the base to the applicable tracts by effective DCP				
	cropla	nd ratio as follows.			
	Step Action				
	A	Determine the resulting farm's effective DCP cropland acres.			
	B For each tract on the resulting farm, divide the tract's effective DCP cropland				
	acres by the result of step A.				
	C Multiply step 1 times the result of step B.				
	D Enter the results of step C through the Farm Records Management System				
		according to 3-CM (Rev. 4).			

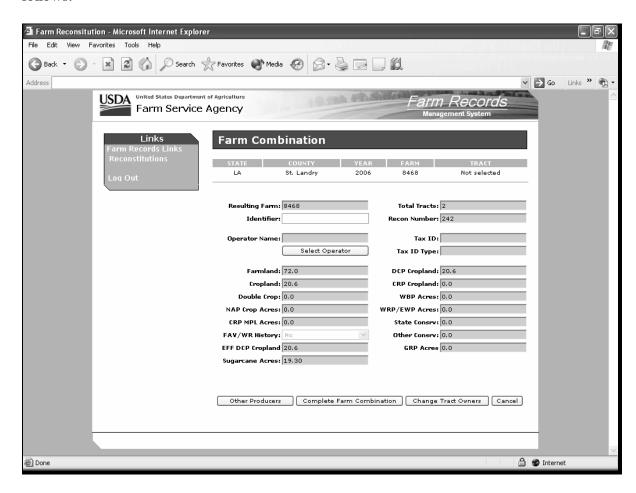
C Default Method

No action is needed by the user when dividing the sugarcane acreage base by the default method. The sugarcane acreage bases are at the tract level and will remain at the tract level.

173 Farm Combinations

A Displaying Sugarcane Base

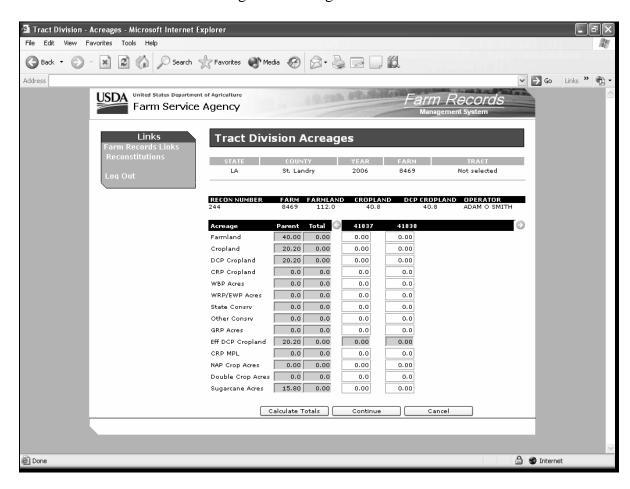
The resulting farm sugarcane acreage base will be displayed on Farm Combination Screen as follows.



174 Tract Divisions

A Tract Division Acreages Screen

Sugarcane acreage base will be displayed on Tract Division Acreages Screen, as follows to allow for the manual division of sugarcane acreage base.



174 Tract Divisions (Continued)

A Tract Division Acreages Screen (Continued)

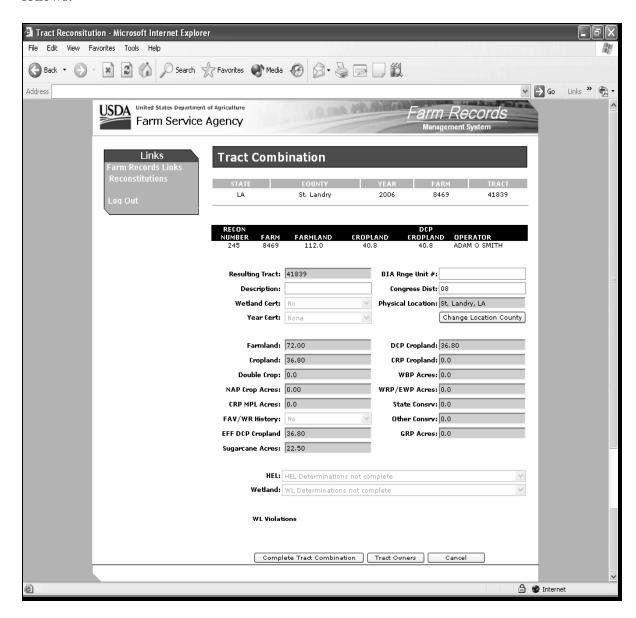
In the absence of a request to divide the sugarcane acreage base by the estate or owner designation method, the acres will be divided by DCP cropland ratio. Use the following table to calculate the acres that will go to each resulting tract.

Step	Action
1	Determine the number of DCP cropland acres for each resulting tract.
2	Divide the results of step 1 by the parent tract DCP cropland acres. The result will be
	the percentage of DCP cropland acres for each resulting tract.
3	Multiply the results of step 2 times the parent tract sugarcane acreage base. The
	result will be the sugarcane acreage base for each resulting tract.
4	Enter the results of step 3 on Tract Division Acreage Screen.

175 Tract Combinations

A Displaying Sugarcane Acreage Base

The resulting farm sugarcane acreage base will be displayed on Tract Combination Screen as follows.



176 Producer Notification

A Notification of Resulting Farm Sugarcane Base

When a farm reconstitution is updated, FSA-476DCP and FSA-156EZ will automatically print. The FSA-476DCP:

- will not show the sugarcane base
- provides the last date for review or appeal of the reconstitution.

County Offices shall include the FSA-156EZ with FSA-476DCP notifying producers of the sugarcane base on the resulting farm.

B Notification of Resulting Tract Sugarcane Base

When a tract reconstitution is updated, FSA-156EZ will automatically print.

County Offices shall mail the FSA-156EZ to producers notifying them of the sugarcane base on the resulting tract.

177-185 (Reserved)

Part 8 Automated Overview

Section 1 Getting Started

185 Before Initiating a Reconstitution

A Necessary Documents

Before initiating a reconstitution in the computer:

- review FSA-155 for completeness according to paragraph 72
- ensure that all entries are completed on FSA-155
- ensure that any farm or address changes or additions have been completed
- add **new** operators or owners through SCIMS.

Note: Make ownership changes during the reconstitution.

B Automated Processes

When using this application users need to be aware of the following:

- as with all web applications, do **not** use the **enter key** or the **back button**, data will be lost or corrupted; users shall use the navigation buttons on the left side of the screen or buttons at the bottom of the screen to move between application screens
- COC and FSA-156EZ reports are automatically generated in Adobe Acrobat and will display on the users screen, but do not automatically print

Note: The user must initiate the print function to print copies of the reports. After a farm reconstitution is approved by the COC in the application the COC reports cannot be reprinted.

- the application times-out after 30 minutes of inactivity; if the user does not complete any part of a reconstitution, such as a tract division or tract combination and has left their screen inactive for more than 30 minutes, the data will be lost
- a reconstitution completed on the same day an FSA-578 is taken will not notify you that an FSA-578 is on file

Note: The software does not know that the FSA-578 is on file and will let the user complete a reconstitution without deleting the FSA-578. The user will have to delete the FSA-578 **before** completing the reconstitution or the FSA-578 will be inaccessible after the reconstitution is completed.

Before Initiating a Reconstitution (Continued)

B Automated Processes (Continued)

 a reconstitution cannot be completed on the same day a previously taken FSA-578 is deleted.

Note: The application will:

- stop the user from completing the reconstitution
- **not** know the FSA-578 has been deleted until the next day.

Note: FSA-578's are only transmitted 1 time each day, until this can be changed the above 2 conditions will exist. When FSA-578's are move to the web this will no longer be applicable.

C Checklist

See Exhibit 10 for an example of a reconstitution checklist, which may be adapted for local use.

186-190 (Reserved)

Section 2 General Information

191 Parent and Resulting Farm Reports

A FSA-156EZ

During reconstitutions, the computer will automatically print FSA-156EZ for the parent and resulting farms.

Check FSA-156EZ's before updating the reconstitution.

192 Assigning Farm and Reconstitution Numbers

A Farm and Tract Numbers

The computer automatically assigns new farm numbers during farm divisions and combinations.

B Reconstitution Numbers

The computer automatically assigns a reconstitution number when a reconstitution is initiated.

In the web-based reconstitution application, reconstitution numbers will be assigned sequentially starting with number 1 for each county.

193 Rules of Fractions

A How Computer Rounds Fractions

The computer rounds mathematical computations according to this table.

Required Decimal	Computation Result	Final Result
Whole Numbers	6.49 or less	6
	6.50 or more	7
Tenths	7.649 or less	7.6
	7.650 or more	7.7
Hundredths	8.8449 or less	8.84
	8.8450 or more	8.85
Thousandths	9.63449 or less	9.634
	9.63450 or more	9.635
10 Thousandths	10.993149 or less	10.9931
	10.993150 or more	10.9932

B Chain Calculations

If there are several calculations done in succession, the computer does not round until the final calculation ends.

Example: 8.641 + 1.118 + 2.118 + 1.600 = 13.477. This would be rounded to 13.5 if the calculation required a final result in tenths.

If rounding at the end of the calculation is required so that the resulting tract or farm data equals the parent, the tract or farm with the largest percentage is rounded.

C Manual Calculations

When performing manual calculations, follow subparagraphs A and B.

194 Resulting Farm FAV/WR History Flag

A FAV/WR History Flag

FAV/WR history flags are maintained at the tract level. The resulting farm level FAV/WR history flag is derived as follows:

- if all tract flags are "N", the farm flag will be "N"
- if any tract flag is "Y", the farm flag will be "Y".

Each tract will retain its own flag throughout the farm combination and farm division process.

195-200 (Reserved)

Section 3 Reconstitution System

201 Accessing Reconstitutions

A Overview

The reconstitution system is web-based software with a centralized database. Reconstitutions will be updated by County Office employees.

In this part, the term "user" refers to County Office employee except where specifically noted.

B Accessing the Reconstitution System

Access the reconstitution system by doing the following.

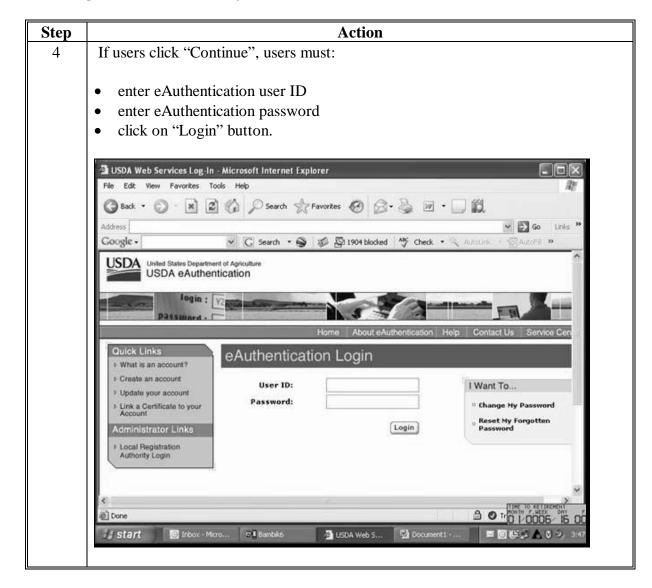
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Step	Action
1	Access reconstitutions through the FSA Intranet at
	http://intranet.fsa.usda.gov/fsa/FSAIntranet_applications.html.
2	Under Common Applications, click on "Farm Records".
3	Users will receive the following USDA eAuthentication Warning Screen. Click "Continue" to proceed or "Cancel" to end the process.
	Warning! - Microsoft Internet Explorer File Edit View Favorites Tools Help Back *
	Home About eAuthentication Help Contact Us Service Cen
	Unauthorized access to this United States Government Computer System and software is prohibited by Title 18, United States Code 1030. This statute states that: Whoever knowingly, or intentionally accesses a computer without authorization or exceeds authorized access, and by means of such conduct, obtains, alters, damages, destroys, or discloses information or prevents authorized use of (data or a computer owned by or operated for) the Government of the United States shall be punished by a fine under this title or imprisonment for not more than 10 years, or both.
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201 Accessing Reconstitutions (Continued)

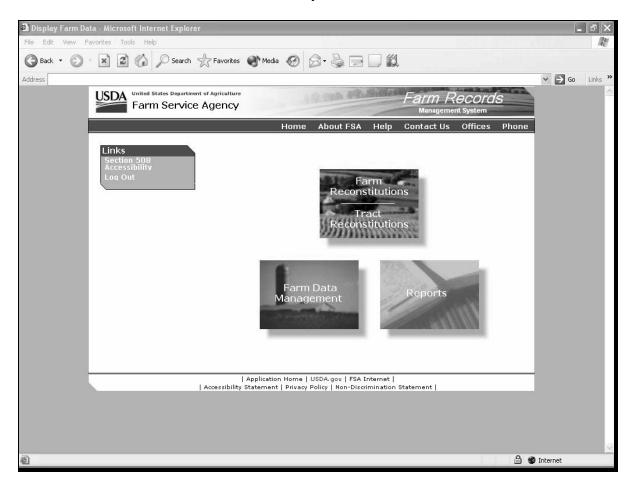
B Accessing the Reconstitution System (Continued)



201 Accessing Reconstitutions (Continued)

B Accessing the Reconstitution System (Continued)

Once a user is logged in and has been authenticated, the Farm Records Management System Home Page will be displayed. Users must click on "Farm Reconstitutions" or "Tract Reconstitutions" to access the reconstitution system.



202-210 (Reserved)

Part 9 Farm Division

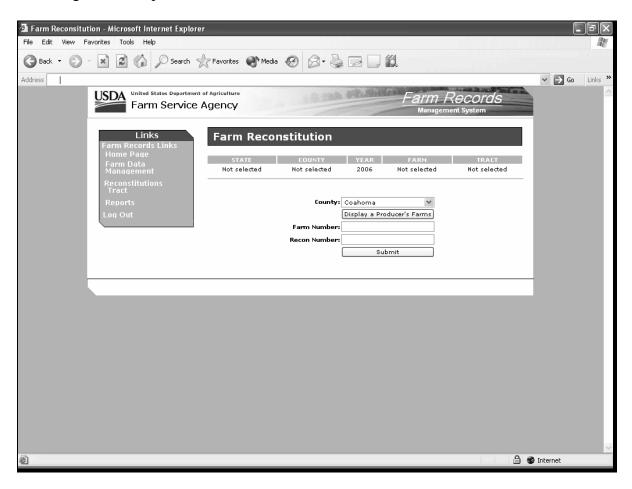
211 Initiating a Farm Division

A Overview

Farm Reconstitution Screen allows the user to select the farm for division. The farm can be selected by producer or farm number.

B Example of Farm Reconstitution Screen Before Selection

Following is an example of the Farm Reconstitution Screen before a farm has been selected.



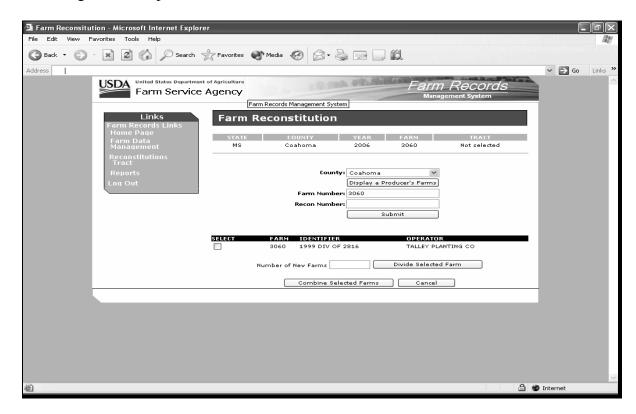
C Initial Farm Selection

The following table provides the fields available on the Farm Reconstitution Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
County	Drop-down box that lists all	Select the county where the farm to be
	counties administered by the	divided is administered.
	user's Service Center.	
		Note: No selection is necessary in Service
		Centers that administer only
		1 county.
Display a	Allows the user to select the	Click "Display a Producer's Farms" to
Producer's	farm to be divided by	display the SCIMS Customer Search Page.
Farms	searching by producer type,	After the producer is selected, the user
	name, tax ID, or other.	will be asked to confirm the selection.
Farm	Allows the user to select the	Enter a farm number and click "Submit".
Number	farm to be divided by entering	
	a farm number.	
Recon	Allows the user to select a	Enter reconstitution number and click
Number	reconstituted farm for	"Submit". The Farm Reconstitution
	approval.	Approve/Delete Screen will be displayed.

D Farm Reconstitution Screen After Farm Selection

Following is an example of the Farm Reconstitution Screen after a farm has been selected.



E Selecting the Farm for Division

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Farm Reconstitution Screen after the initial farm selection.

Field/Button	De	scription	Action
County	Drop-down box that lists all		Select a different county if the wrong
		nistered by the	county was selected.
D: 1	user's Service		
Display a		er to select the farm	Click "Display a Producer's Farms" to
Producer's		by searching by	display the SCIMS Customer Search
Farms	other.	, name, tax ID, or	Page. Select a different producer if
	other.		the wrong producer was selected.
			After the producer is selected, the user will be asked to confirm the
			selection.
Farm Number	Allows the use	er to select the farm	Select a different farm if the wrong
		by entering a farm	farm was selected.
	number.	<i>y y</i>	
Recon	Allows the user to select a		Enter reconstitution number and click
Number	reconstituted	farm for approval.	"Submit". The Farm Reconstitution
			Approve/Delete Screen will be
			displayed.
Select		er to select the farm	Enter a checkmark in the check box
	to be divided.		next to the farm number to be divided.
Farm	IF	THEN	Select the farm number to be divided.
	display a	all farms associated	
	Producer's	with the producer	
	Farms was	will be listed.	
	selected		
	farm number	only the farm that	
	was entered	was entered will be	
		listed.	

E Selecting the Farm for Division (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
Identifier	Displays the identifier for the farm to	
	assist the user with selecting the	
	correct farm number for division.	
Operator	Displays the operator for the farm to	
	assist the user with selecting the	
	correct farm number for division.	
Number of	Allows the user to enter the number	Enter number of new farms.
New Farms	of new farms that will result from the	
	farm division.	
Divide	Allows the user to select to divide the	Click "Divide Selected Farms" to
Selected farm	selected farm.	initiate the farm division.
Combine	Applicable only to farm combinations.	
Selected		
farms		
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	for farm division.	initiation of the farm division. No
		data will be saved if "Cancel" is
		clicked.

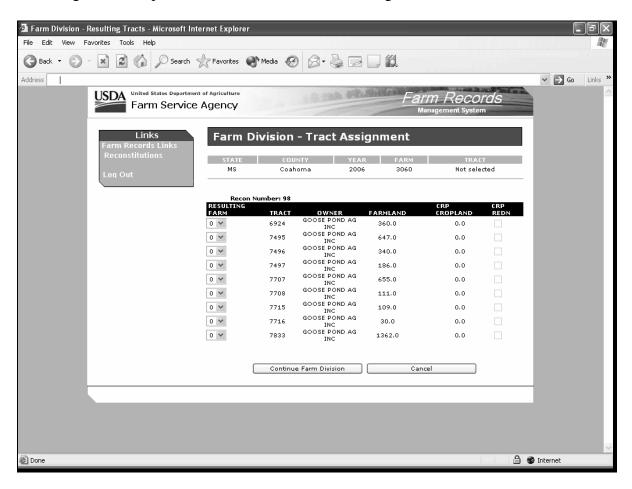
212 Tract Assignment

A Overview

The Farm Division - Tract Assignment Screen allows the user to assign the tracts to the resulting farms of the division. The numbers that are available in the drop-down box are derived from the number of resulting farms that was entered on the Farm Reconstitution Screen.

B Example of Farm Division - Tract Assignment Screen

Following is an example of the Farm Division - Tract Assignment Screen.



212 Tract Assignment (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Tract Assignment Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon Number	Reconstitution number of the	
	current farm division.	
Resulting Farm	Allows the user to assign the tracts	Select farms to be assigned to each
	to the resulting farms of the	resulting tract by selecting the
	division.	applicable number from the
		drop-down box.
Tract	Tract number of the tract to be	
	assigned to a resulting farm.	
Owner	Owner of the tract to be assigned	
	to a resulting farm.	
Farmland	Farmland of the tract to be assigned	
	to a resulting farm.	
CRP Cropland	CRP cropland of the tract to be	
	assigned to a resulting farm.	
CRP REDN	Indicates whether the tract to be	
	assigned to a resulting farm has	
	CRP reduction acres	
Continue Farm	Allows the user to continue with	Click "Continue Farm Division" to
Division	the farm division after all tracts	continue with the reconstitution.
	have been assigned to a resulting	Farm Division Screen will be
	farm.	displayed.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	request for farm division.	initiation of the farm division. No
		data will be saved if "Cancel" is
		clicked.

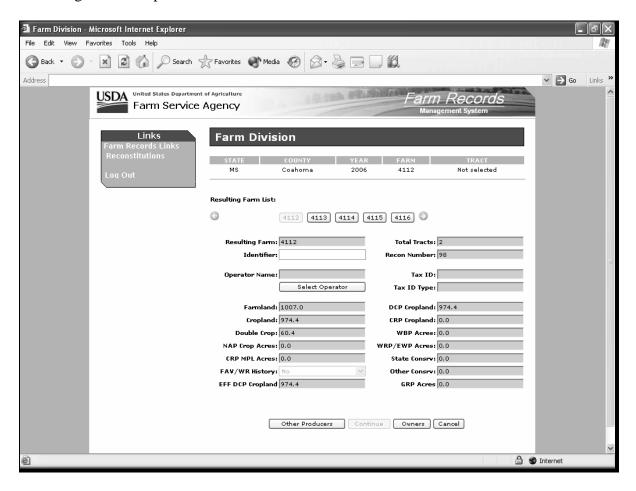
213 Farm Division Screen

A Overview

The Farm Division Screen allows the user to assign a farm identifier, select a farm operator, change farm owners, and/or change other producers on the resulting farms of the division.

B Example of Farm Division Screen

Following is an example of the Farm Division Screen.



213 Farm Division Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Farm Division Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Resulting	Allows the user to select the resulting	Select the resulting farm to update.
Farm List	farm for which data will be updated.	The farm that is "grayed out"
		identifies the farm that is currently
		selected. If there are more than 10
		resulting farms, select the green
		arrows to move between resulting farms that are not displayed on the
		screen.
Resulting	Resulting farm number that is	
Farm	currently selected for update.	
Total Tracts	Total number of tracts assigned to the	
	resulting farm.	
Identifier	Allows the user to enter the identifier	Enter an identifier for the resulting
	for the resulting farm.	farm. Enter any combination of
	NI.4. TO 1 (C)	letters, numbers, and special
	Note: The identifier is a tool to assist	characters. The identifier cannot
	County Offices with finding the correct farm.	exceed 30 characters. An entry is not required in this field.
Recon	System assigned reconstitution	not required in this field.
Number	number.	
Operator	Farm operator's name.	
Name	r	
Select	Allows the user to select the farm	Click "Select Operator" to display
Operator	operator.	SCIMS Customer Search Page.
		Select an operator by searching by
		type, name, tax ID, or other. After
		the operator is selected, the user will
		be asked to confirm the selection.
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of the operator's tax ID.	
Tax ID Type	Operator's tax ID type.	
Farmland	Total farmland acres for the farm.	
Cropland	Total cropland acres for the farm.	
Double Crop	Total double-crop acres for the farm.	
NAP Crop	Total NAP crop acres for the farm.	
Acres		

213 Farm Division Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
CRP MPL	Total CRP MPL acres for	
Acres	the farm.	
FAV/WR	"Yes" if farm has FAV/WR	
History	history or "No" if farm does	
	not have FAV/WR history.	
Eff DCP	Total effective DCP	
Cropland	cropland acres for the farm.	
DCP	Total DCP cropland acres	
Cropland	for the farm.	
CRP	Total CRP cropland acres	
Cropland	for the farm.	
WBP Acres	Total WBP acres for the	
	farm.	
WRP/EWP	Total WRP/EWP acres for	
Acres	the farm.	
State Consrv	Total State conservation	
	acres for the farm.	
Other Consrv	Total other conservation	
	acres for the farm.	
GRP Acres	Total GRP acres for the	
	farm.	
Other	Allows the user to add other	User can add new other producers or move
Producers	producers to the resulting	other producers from the parent farm to the
	farm.	resulting farm. See paragraph 214 for
		additional information.
Continue	Allows user to continue after	Click "Continue" after a farm operator is
	a farm operator is selected	selected for each resulting farm. The Farm
	for each resulting farm.	Division - Crop Data Screen will be
		displayed. See paragraph 216 for additional
		information.
Owners	Allows the user to add	User can add and/or delete owners from the
	and/or delete owners from	tracts on each resulting farm. The Owners
	the resulting farm.	Screen will be displayed. See paragraph 215
		for additional information.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the	Click "Cancel" to cancel the initiation of the
	request for farm division.	farm division. No data will be saved if
		"Cancel" is clicked.

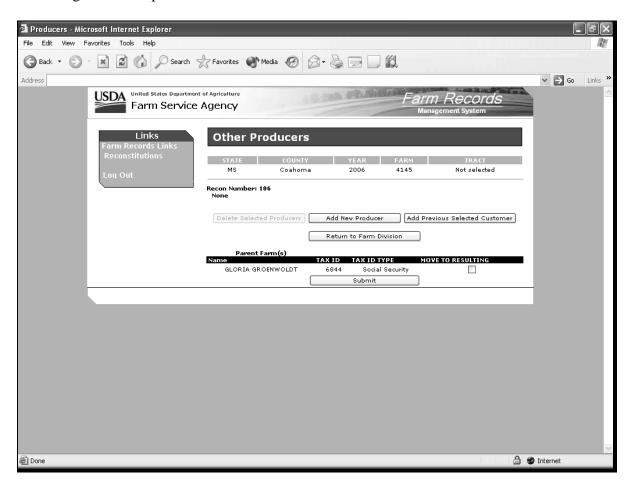
214 Other Producers Screen

A Overview

The Other Producers Screen allows the user to add new other producers and/or move other producers from the parent farm to the resulting farm. See 3-CM (Rev. 4) for the definition of an other producer.

B Example of Other Producers Screen

Following is an example of the Other Producers Screen.



214 Other Producers Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Other Producers Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Delete Selected	"Delete Selected Producers"	Click "Delete Selected Producers" button
Producers	button will delete any other	to delete other producers that were
	producers that were selected	selected for deletion.
	for deletion.	
		Note: This button is only available after
		another producer is added to the
		resulting farm.
Add New	"Add New Producer" button	Click "Add New Producer" button to add
Producer	allows the user to add a new	a new other producer. When the button
	other producer to the farm.	is clicked, the SCIMS Customer Search
		Page will be displayed. After a producer
		is selected, the user will be asked to
A 11D	"A 11 D	confirm the selection.
Add Previous	"Add Previous Selected	Click "Add Previous Selected Customer"
Selected	Customer" button allows the	button to add the previously selected
Customer	user to add the previously selected customer to the farm	customer to the farm as another producer.
	as another producer.	
Return to Farm	"Return to Farm Division"	Click "Return to Farm Division" button to
Division	button allows the user to	return to the Farm Division Screen and
Division	return to the Farm Division	save any changes to other producers.
	Screen after changes are made	save any changes to other producers.
	to other producers.	
Name	Name of each other producer	
1 (44214	associated with the parent	
	farm.	
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of each other	
	producer's tax ID number.	
Tax ID Type	Tax ID type of each other	
	producer's tax ID number.	
Move to	Selects another producer to be	Enter a checkmark in the check box next
Resulting	moved to the resulting farm.	to the other producer that will be moved
		to the resulting farm and click "Submit".
Submit	"Submit" button moves the	"Submit" button must be clicked if any
	selected other producers from	other producers have been selected to be
	the parent farm to the	moved from the parent farm to the
	resulting farm.	resulting farm.

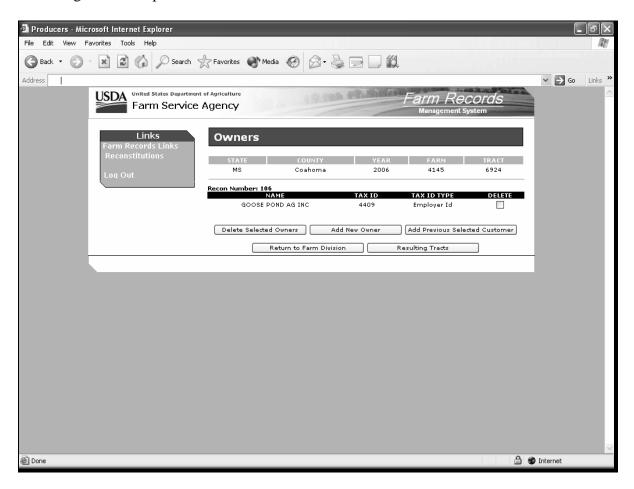
215 Owners Screen

A Overview

The Owners Screen allows the user to change owners on the tracts of each resulting farm of the farm division. If the resulting farm contains more than 1 tract, the user must select the tract for which the owners will be updated before the Owners Screen will be displayed.

B Example of Owners Screen

Following is an example of the Owners Screen.



215 Owners Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Owners Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Name	Name of each owner associated with the tract.	
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of each owner's tax ID number.	
Tax ID Type	Tax ID type of each owner's tax ID number.	
Delete	Selects an owner for deletion.	Enter a checkmark in the check box next to the owners that will be deleted.
Delete Selected Owners	"Delete Selected Owners" button will delete any owners that were selected for deletion.	Click "Delete Selected Owners" button to delete owners that were selected for deletion.
Add New Owner	"Add New Owner" button allows the user to add a new owner to the tract.	Click "Add New Owner" button to add a new owner. When the button is clicked, the SCIMS Customer Search Page will be displayed. After the new owner is selected, the user will be asked to confirm the selection.
Add Previous Selected Customer	"Add Previous Selected Customer" button allows the user to add the previously selected customer to the tract as an owner.	Click "Add Previous Selected Customer" button to add the previously selected customer to the tract as an owner.
Return to Farm Division	"Return to Farm Division" button allows the user to return to the Farm Division Screen after changes are made to owners.	Click "Return to Farm Division" button to return to the Farm Division Screen and save any changes to owners.
Resulting Tracts	Allows the user to return to the list of tracts on the resulting farm.	Click "Resulting Tracts" button to return to the Tract Selection Screen.

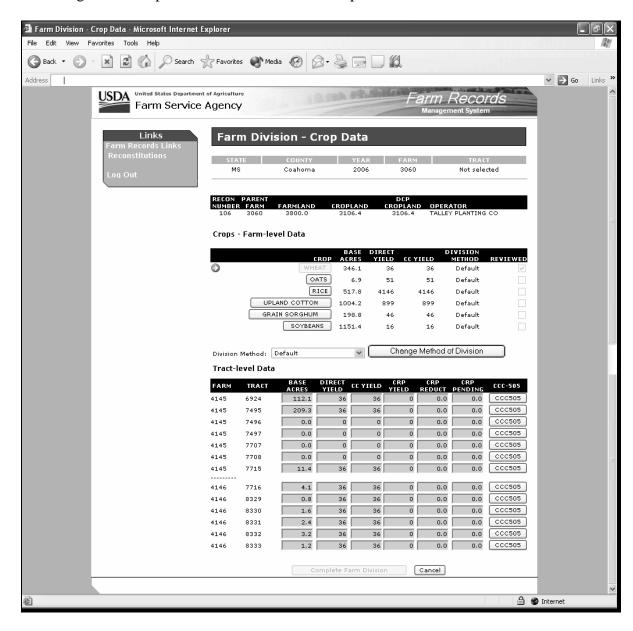
216 Farm Division - Crop Data Screen

A Overview

The Farm Division – Crop Data Screen allows user to divide farm level crop data between the resulting farms of the division.

B Example of the Farm Division - Crop Data Screen

Following is an example of the Farm Division – Crop Data Screen.



216 Farm Division - Crop Data Screen Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Farm Division - Crop Data Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon	Reconstitution number of the	
Number	current farm division.	
Parent Farm	Parent farm number.	
Farmland	Farmland on the parent farm.	
Cropland	Cropland on the parent farm.	
DCP	DCP cropland on the parent	
Cropland	farm.	
Operator	Operator of the parent farm.	
	Crops – Fari	m-level Data
Crop	Allows the user to select the	Click applicable crop button to review or
	crop for which data will be	change data for that crop.
	reviewed or changed.	
Base Acres	Total parent farm base acres	
	applicable to each crop.	
Direct Yield	Parent farm direct yield	
	applicable to each crop.	
CC Yield	CC yield applicable to each	
	crop.	
Division	Division method applicable to	
Method	each crop.	
Reviewed	Indicates whether the crop	
	data has been reviewed or	
	changed for each crop.	
Division	Allows the user to select the	Select from:
Method	method of division for each	
	crop.	• estate
		owner designation
		• default.
		Note: The default method of division for
		farm divisions is the "default"
		method.
Change	Changes to the method of	Click "Change Method of Division" button
Method of	division.	to change the method of division. See
Division		paragraphs 121, 122, and 124 for further
		information on each method of division.

216 Farm Division - Crop Data Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Ac	tion	
Tract-level Data				
Farm	Resulting farm number.			
Tract	Resulting tract number.			
Base Acres	Base acres being attributed to	IF	THEN	
	the resulting farm and tract.	default method	no action can be	
Direct Yield	Direct yield being attributed to	was selected as the	taken.	
	the resulting farm and tract.	method of division		
CC Yield	CC yield being attributed to the			
	resulting farm and tract.	estate method or	Enter base acres,	
		owner designation	direct yield, and CC	
		method were	yield applicable to	
		selected as the	each tract.	
CDD III 11		method of division		
CRP Yield	CRP yield attributed to the			
	resulting farm and tract.			
CRP Reduct	CRP reduction acres attributed			
	to the resulting farm and tract.			
CRP Pending	CRP pending acres attributed to			
	the resulting farm and tract.			
CCC-505	CCC-505 CRP Reduction data	Click "CCC505" but		
	attributed to the resulting farm		action data attributed	
	and tract.	to the farm and tract		
Complete	After all crops have been	Click "Complete Farm Division" button		
Farm	reviewed, the "Complete Farm	to mark the farm division as pending.		
Division	Division" button will be			
	available.			
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the		ncel the initiation of	
	request for farm division.		o data will be saved if	
		"Cancel" is clicked.		

D Successfully Initiated Farm Division

Once the "Complete Farm Division" button is clicked and all validations are passed, the Farm Reconstitution Screen will be displayed with the message "Successfully initiated the farm division." The farm reconstitution will be marked as a pending COC approval. See paragraph 267 for updating the reconstitution after COC approval.

217 Canceling CCC-509, Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program Contract

A Automatic Cancellation

If the farm being divided has CCC-509 for the current year, CCC-509 will be canceled automatically when the division goes to pending status. See 1-DCP, paragraph 847 for additional information on automatic cancellations of CCC-509.

218 Basic Data

A How Basic Data is Divided for Base Acres

The following farm level data is obtained by totaling the tract level data for:

- cropland
- CRP cropland
- CRP MPL
- DCP cropland
- farmland
- sugarcane base
- WBP.

B Crop Data

The following resulting farm's crop data is obtained by totaling the tract level data for:

- base acres
- CRP pending
- CRP reduction.

219 Yields

A Direct and CC Yields

The resulting farms' direct and CC yields are calculated as follows for each crop.

Step	Computer Action	
1	For each tract, multiplies the base acres times the yield.	
2	Totals the results of step 1.	
3	Totals the base acres.	
4	Divides step 2 by step 3. The result is the farm's yield.	

This process is used to calculate both direct and CC yields.

220-225 (Reserved)

Part 10 Farm Combination

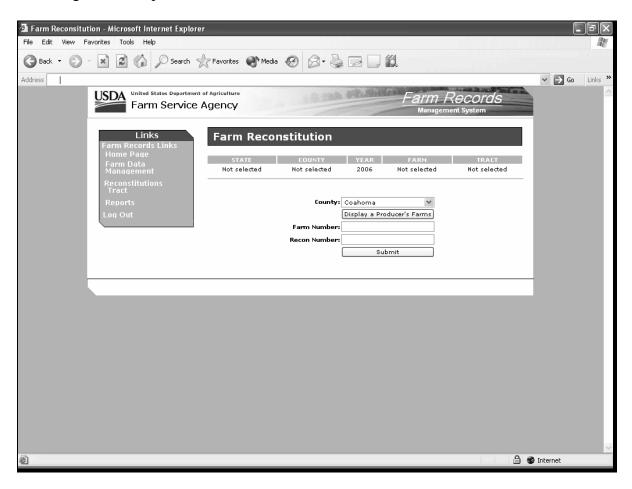
226 Initiating a Farm Combination

A Overview

Farm Reconstitution Screen allows the user to select the farms for combination. The farms can be selected by producer or farm number.

B Example of Farm Reconstitution Screen Before Selection

Following is an example of the Farm Reconstitution Screen before farms have been selected.



226 Initiating a Farm Combination (Continued)

C Initial Farm Selection

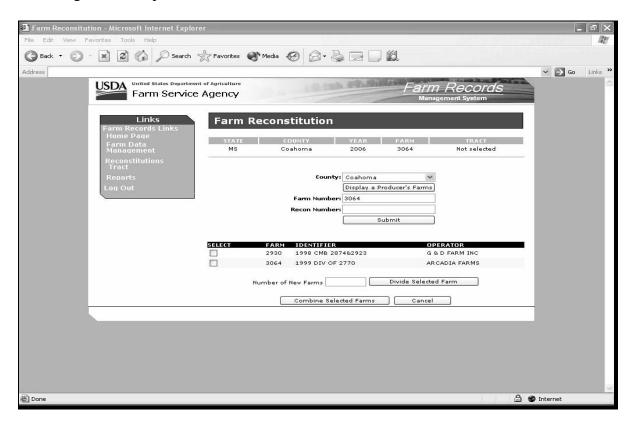
The following table provides the fields available on the Farm Reconstitution Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
County	Drop-down box that lists all counties administered by the user's Service Center.	Select the county where the farms to be combined are administered.
		Note: No selection is necessary in Service Centers that only administer 1 county.
Display a	Allows the user to select the	Click "Display a Producer's Farms" to
Producer's	farms to be combined by	display the SCIMS Customer Search Page.
Farms	searching by producer type, name, tax ID, or other.	After the producer is selected, the user will be asked to confirm the selection.
Farm Number	Allows the user to select the farms to be combined by entering a farm number.	Enter a farm number and click "Submit".
Recon	Allows the user to select a	Enter reconstitution number and click
Number	reconstituted farm for	"Submit". The Farm Reconstitution
	approval.	Approve/Delete Screen will be displayed.

226 Initiating a Farm Combination (Continued)

D Farm Reconstitution Screen After Farm Selection

Following is an example of the Farm Reconstitution Screen after farms have been selected.



E Selecting the Farms for Combination

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Farm Reconstitution Screen after the initial farm selection.

Field/Button	Descr	ription	Action
County	Drop-down box that lists all counties		User can select a different county
-	administered by the user's Service		that they administer if the wrong
	Center.		county was selected.
Display a	Allows the user to s	select the farms to be	Click "Display a Producer's
Producer's	combined by search	ing by producer	Farms" to display the SCIMS
Farms	type, name, tax ID,	or other.	Customer Search Page. User can
			select a different producer if the
			wrong producer was selected.
			After the producer is selected, the
			user will be asked to confirm the
			selection.
Farm		select the farms to be	User can select a different farm if
Number	combined by entering		the wrong farm was selected.
Recon		select a reconstituted	Enter reconstitution number and
Number	farm for approval.		click "Submit". The Farm
			Reconstitution Approve/Delete
			Screen will be displayed.
Select	Allows the user to select the farms to be		Enter checkmark in the check box
	combined.		next the farm numbers that will be
			combined.
Farm	IF	THEN	Select the farm numbers to be
	display a	all farms	combined.
	Producer's Farms	associated with the	
	was selected	producer will be	
		listed.	
	farm number was	only the farm that	
	entered	was entered will be	
		listed.	
Identifier	Displays the farm identifier for the farm		
	to assist the user with selecting the		
	correct farm numbe		
Operator	Displays the operate		
	assist the user with selecting the correct		
	farm numbers for co	ombination.	

226 Initiating a Farm Combination (Continued)

E Selecting the Farms for Combination (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
Number of	Applicable only to farm divisions.	
New Farms		
Divide		
Selected		
farm		
Combine	Allows the user to select to combine the	Click "Combine Selected Farms"
Selected	selected farms.	to initiate the farm combination.
farms		Farm Combination Screen will be
		displayed.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	for farm combination.	initiation of the farm combination.
		No data will be saved if "Cancel"
		is clicked.

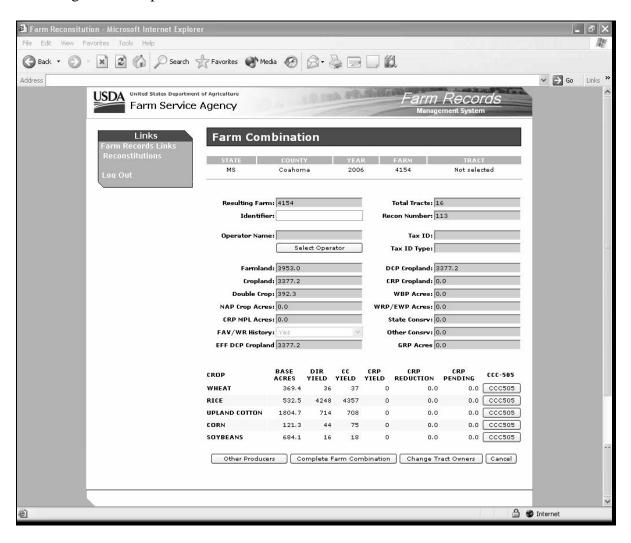
227 Farm Combination Screen

A Overview

The Farm Combination Screen allows the user to assign a farm identifier, select a farm operator, change farm owners, and/or change farm other producers on the resulting farm of the combination.

B Example of Farm Combination Screen

Following is an example of the Farm Combination Screen.



227 Farm Combination Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Farm Combination Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Resulting Farm	Resulting farm number that is	
	currently selected for update.	
Total Tracts	Total number of tracts	
	assigned to the resulting farm.	
Identifier	Allows the user to enter the identifier for the resulting farm.	Enter an identifier for the resulting farm. Enter any combination of letters, numbers, and special characters. The identifier cannot exceed 30 characters. An entry is not required in this field.
Recon Number	System assigned reconstitution number.	
Operator Name	Farm operator's name.	
Select Operator	Allows the user to select the farm operator.	Click "Select Operator" to display USDA SCIMS Customer Search Page. Select an operator by searching by type, name, tax ID, or other. After the operator is selected, the user will be asked to confirm the selection.
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of the operator's tax ID.	
Tax ID Type	Operator's tax ID type.	
Farmland	Total farmland acres for the farm.	
Cropland	Total cropland acres for the farm.	
Double Crop	Total double crop acres for the farm.	
NAP Crop	Total NAP crop acres for the	
Acres	farm.	
CRP MPL	Total CRP MPL acres for the	
Acres	farm.	

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
FAV/WR	"Yes" if farm has FAV/WR	
History	history or "No" if farm does	
	not have FAV/WR history.	
Eff DCP	Total effective DCP cropland	
Cropland	acres for the farm.	
DCP Cropland	Total DCP cropland acres for	
	the farm.	
CRP Cropland	Total CRP cropland acres for	
	the farm.	
WBP Acres	Total WBP acres for the farm.	
WRP/EWP	Total WRP/EWP acres for the	
Acres	farm.	
State Consrv	Total State conservation acres	
	for the farm.	
Other Consrv	Total other conservation acres	
	for the farm.	
GRP Acres	Total GRP acres for the farm.	
Crop	The crops for which base	
	acres exist on the resulting	
	farm.	
Base Acres	Base acres for each crop on	
	the resulting farm.	
Direct Yield	Direct yield for each crop on	
	the resulting farm.	
CC Yield	CC yield for each crop on the	
	resulting farm.	
CRP Yield	CRP Yield for each crop on	
	the resulting farm.	
CRP Reduction	CRP reduction acres for each	
	crop on the resulting farm.	
CRP Pending	CRP pending acres for each	
	crop on the resulting farm.	

227 Farm Combination Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
CCC-505	CCC-505 CRP reduction	
	acres for each crop on the	
	resulting farm.	
Other Producers	Allows the user to add other	User can add new other producers or
	producers to the resulting	move other producers from the parent
	farm.	farms to the resulting farm. See
		paragraph 228 for additional
		information.
Complete Farm	Allows the user to continue	Click "Complete Farm Combination"
Combination	after a farm operator is	after a farm operator is selected for the
	selected for the resulting farm.	resulting farm and all other changes are
		made to complete the farm combination.
Change Tract	Allows the user to add and/or	User can add and/or delete owners on
Owners	delete owners on the resulting	the tracts on the resulting farm. The
	farm.	Owners Screen will be displayed. See
		paragraph 229 for additional
		information.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the	Click "Cancel" to cancel the initiation of
	request for farm combination.	the farm combination. No data will be
		saved if "Cancel" is clicked.

D Successfully Initiated Farm Combination

Once the "Complete Farm Combination" button is clicked and all validations are passed, the Farm Reconstitution Screen will be displayed with the message "Successfully initiated the farm combination." The farm reconstitution will be marked as a pending COC approval. See paragraph 267 for updating the reconstitution after COC approval.

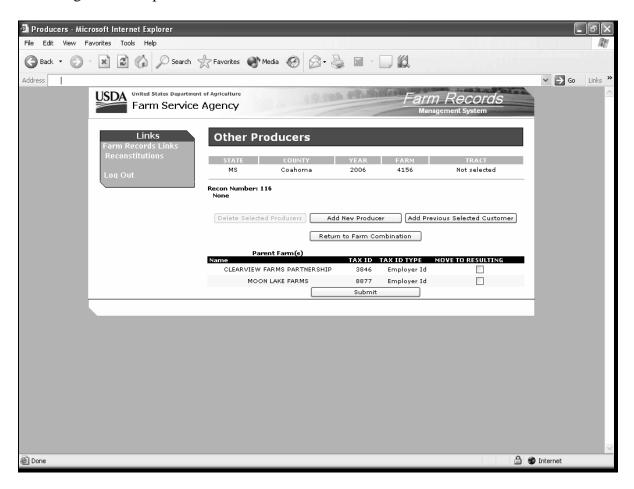
228 Other Producers Screen

A Overview

The Other Producers Screen allows the user to add new other producers and/or move other producers from the parent farms to the resulting farm. See 3-CM (Rev. 4) for the definition of an other producer.

B Example of Other Producers Screen

Following is an example of the Other Producers Screen.



C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Other Producers Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action	
Delete	"Delete Selected Producers"	Click "Delete Selected Producers" button to	
Selected	button will delete any other	delete other producers that were selected for	
Producers	producers that were selected	deletion.	
	for deletion.		
		Note: This button is only available after a	
		new other producer is added to the	
		resulting farm.	
Add New	"Add New Producer" button	Click "Add New Producer" button to add a	
Producer	allows the user to add a new	new other producer. When the button is	
	other producer to the farm.	clicked, the SCIMS Customer Search Page	
		will be displayed. After a producer is	
		selected, the user will be asked to confirm the selection.	
Add	"Add Previous Selected	Click "Add Previous Selected Customer"	
Previous	Customer" button allows the	button to add the previously selected	
Selected	user to add the previously	customer to the farm as another producer.	
Customer	selected customer to the farm	customer to the farm as another producer.	
Customer	as another producer.		
Return to	"Return to Farm	Click "Return to Farm Combination" button	
Farm	Combination" button allows	to return to the Farm Combination Screen	
Combination	the user to return to the Farm	and save any changes to other producers.	
	Combination Screen after	, and a gradual framework of the control of the con	
	changes are made to other		
	producers.		
Name	Name of each other producer		
	associated with the parent		
	farms.		
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of each other		
	producer's tax ID number.		
Tax ID Type	Tax ID type of each other		
	producer's tax ID number.		
Move to	Selects another producer to	Enter a checkmark in the check box next to	
Resulting	be moved to the resulting	the other producer that will be moved to the	
G 1 :	farm.	resulting farm and click "Submit".	
Submit	"Submit" button moves the	"Submit" button must be clicked if any other	
	selected other producers from	producers have been selected to be moved	
	the parent farms to the	from the parent farms to the resulting farm.	
	resulting farm.		

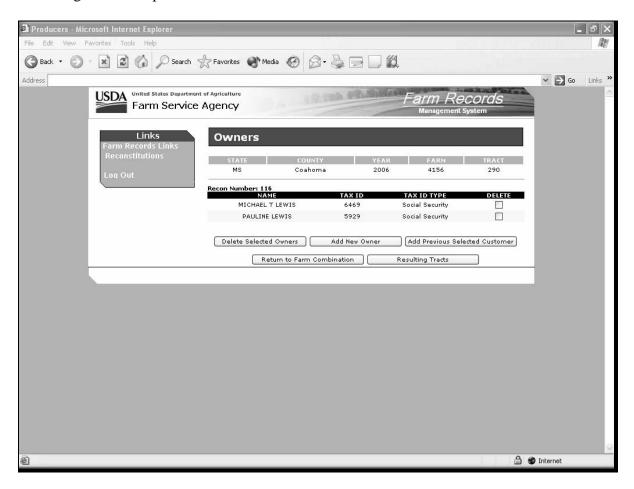
229 Owners Screen

A Overview

The Owners Screen allows the user to change owners on the tracts of the resulting farm of the farm combination. If the resulting farm contains more than 1 tract, the user must select the tract for which the owners will be updated before the Owners Screen will be displayed.

B Example of Owners Screen

Following is an example of the Owners Screen.



229 Owners Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Owners Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Name	Name of each owner	
	associated with the tract.	
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of each owner's	
	tax ID number.	
Tax ID Type	Tax ID type of each owner's	
	tax ID number.	
Delete	Selects an owner for deletion.	Enter a checkmark in the check box next
		to the owners that will be deleted.
Delete Selected	"Delete Selected Owners"	Click "Delete Selected Owners" button to
Owners	button will delete any owners	delete owners that were selected for
	that were selected for	deletion.
	deletion.	
Add New	"Add New Owner" button	Click "Add New Owner" button to add a
Owner	allows the user to add a new	new owner. When the button is clicked,
	owner to the tract.	the SCIMS Customer Search Page will be
		displayed. After the new owner is
		selected, the user will be asked to confirm
A 11D '	"A 11 D ' C 1 4 1	the selection.
Add Previous Selected	"Add Previous Selected Customer" button allows the	Click "Add Previous Selected Customer"
		button to add the previously selected
Customer	user to add the previously selected customer to the tract	customer to the tract as an owner.
	as an owner.	
Return to Farm	"Return to Farm	Click "Return to Farm Combination"
Combination	Combination" button allows	button to return to the Farm Combination
Comomation	the user to return to the Farm	Screen and save any changes to owners.
	Combination Screen after	bereen and save any changes to owners.
	changes are made to owners.	
Resulting	Allows the user to return to	Click "Resulting Tracts" button to return
Tracts	the list of tracts on the	to the Tract Selection Screen.
	resulting farm.	

230 Canceling CCC-509, Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program Contract

A Automatic Cancellation

If the farm being combined has CCC-509 for the current year, CCC-509 will be canceled automatically when the combination goes to pending status. See 1-DCP, paragraph 847 for additional information on automatice cancellations of CCC-509.

231 Basic Data

A How Basic Data is Calculated for the Resulting Farm

The following parent farm's data is totaled to obtain the resulting farm's data:

- cropland
- CRP cropland
- CRP MPL
- double-cropped acres
- farmland
- sugarcane base
- WBP.

The following tract data for the parent farms is totaled to obtain the resulting farm's data:

- DCP cropland
- effective DCP cropland
- other conservation
- State conservation
- WRP.

B Crop Data

The following parent farm's crop data is totaled to obtain the resulting farm's data:

- base acres
- CRP pending
- CRP reduction.

232 Yields

A Direct and CC Yields

The computer calculates the resulting farm's DCP yields for each crop according to this table.

Step	Computer Action
1	For each tract, multiplies the base acres times the yield.
2	Totals the results of step 1.
3	Totals the base acres from each parent farm.
4	Divides step 2 by step 3. The result is the farm's yield.

This process is used to calculate both direct and CC yields.

233-240 (Reserved)

Part 11 Tract Division

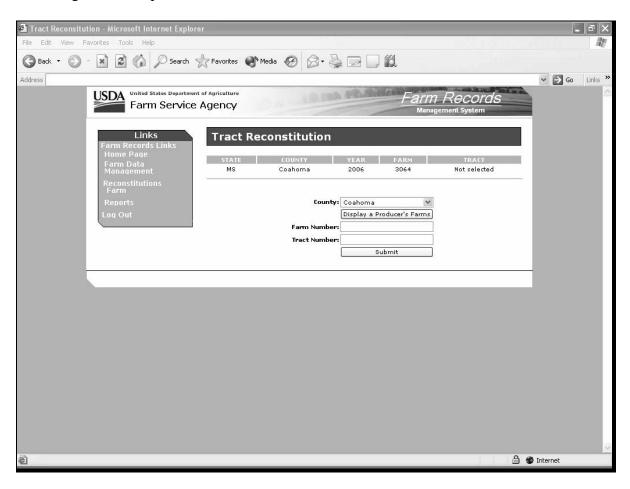
241 Initiating a Tract Division

A Overview

Tract Reconstitution Screen allows the user to select the tract for division. The tract can be selected by producer, farm number, or tract number.

B Example of Tract Reconstitution Screen Before Selection

Following is an example of the Tract Reconstitution Screen before a tract has been selected.



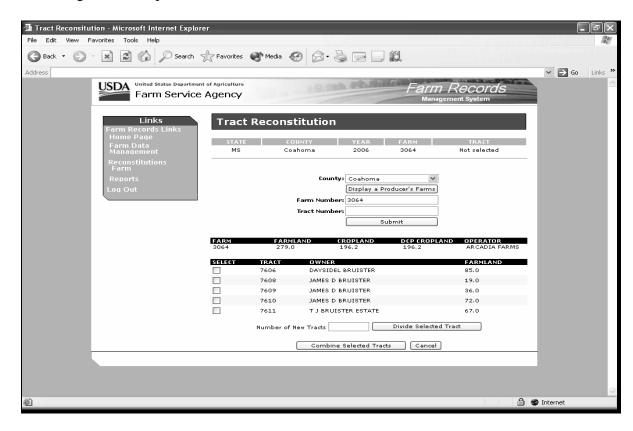
C Initial Tract Selection

The following table provides the fields available on the Tract Reconstitution Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action	
County	Drop-down box that lists all counties	Select the county where the tract	
	administered by the user's Service	to be divided is administered.	
	Center.		
		Note: No selection is necessary	
		in Service Centers that	
		only administer 1 county.	
Display a	Allows the user to select the tract to be	Click "Display a Producer's	
Producer's	divided by searching by producer type,	Farms" to display the SCIMS	
Farms	name, tax ID, or other.	Customer Search Page. After the	
		producer is selected, the user will	
		be asked to confirm the selection.	
Farm	Allows the user to select the tract to be	Enter a farm number and click	
Number	divided by entering a farm number.	"Submit".	
Tract	Allows the user to select the tract to be	Enter a tract number and click	
Number	divided by entering a tract number.	"Submit".	

D Tract Reconstitution Screen After Tract Selection

Following is an example of the Tract Reconstitution Screen after a tract has been selected.



E Selecting the Tract for Division

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Tract Reconstitution Screen after the initial tract selection.

Field/Button	Description		Action
County	Drop-down box that lists all		User can select a different county that
	counties administered by the user's		they administer if the wrong county
	Service Cent		was selected.
Display a	Allows the u	ser to select the tract	Click "Display a Producer's Farms" to
Producer's		l by searching by	display the SCIMS Customer Search
Farms		e, name, tax ID, or	Page. User can select a different
	other.		producer if the wrong producer was
			selected. After the producer is
			selected, the user will be asked to
_			confirm the selection.
Farm		ser to select the tract	User can select a different farm if the
Number	to be divided by entering a farm number.		wrong farm was selected.
Tract	Allows the u	ser to select the tract	User can select a different tract if the
Number	to be divided	by entering a tract	wrong tract was selected.
	number.		
Select	Allows the user to select the tract		Enter a checkmark in the check box
	to be divided	l .	next the tract number that will be
			divided.
Tract	IF	THEN	Select the tract number to be divided.
	display a	the user must first	
	Producer's	select the farm on the	
	Farms was	associated farms	
	selected	screen and then all	
		tracts associated with	
		that farm will be	
		listed.	
	farm	only the tracts	
	number	associated with the	
	was	farm that was entered	
	entered	will be listed.	
	tract	only the tract number	
	number	entered will be listed.	
	was		
	entered		

E Selecting the Tract for Division (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
Owner	Displays the owner of the tract to	
	assist the user with selecting the	
	correct tract number for division.	
Farmland	Displays the farmland of the tract to	
	assist the user with selecting the	
	correct tract number for division.	
Number of	Allows the user to enter the number	Enter number of new tracts.
New Tracts	of new tracts that will result from	
	the tract division.	
Divide	Allows the user to select to divide	Click "Divide Selected Tracts" to
Selected	the selected tract.	initiate the tract division.
Tract		
Combine	Applicable only to tract	
Selected	combinations.	
Tracts		
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the	Click "Cancel" to cancel the initiation
	request for tract division.	of the tract division. No data will be
		saved if "Cancel" is clicked.

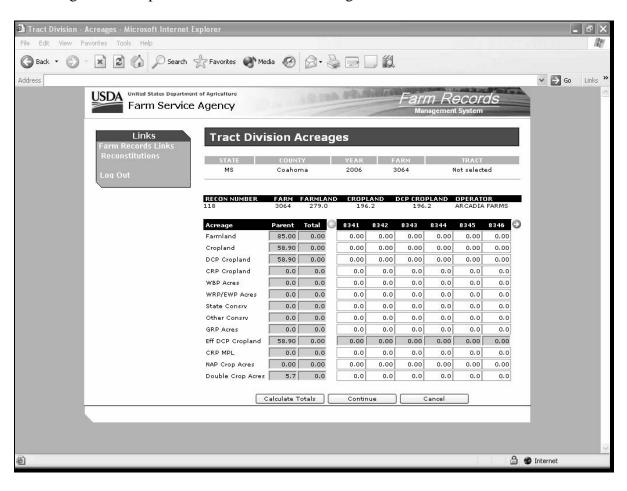
242 Tract Division Acreages Screen

A Overview

The Tract Division Acreages Screen allows the user to assign acreage on each of the resulting tracts of the division.

B Example of Tract Division Acreages Screen

Following is an example of the Tract Division Acreages Screen.



242 Tract Division Acreages Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Tract Division Acreages Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon	Reconstitution number of the current tract division.	
Number		
Farm	Resulting farm number to which the divided tract is	
	associated.	
Farmland	Total farmland on the farm.	
Cropland	Total cropland on the farm.	
DCP	Total DCP cropland on the farm.	
Cropland		
Operator	Farm operator's name.	
Farmland	Total farmland on the parent tract.	Enter farmland acres
	-	to be attributed to
	Total farmland that has been entered for the	each resulting tract.
	resulting tracts.	
	Farmland entered for each resulting tract.	
Cropland	Total cropland on the parent tract.	Enter cropland acres
	-	to be attributed to
	Total cropland that has been entered for the	each resulting tract.
	resulting tracts.	
	Cropland entered for each resulting tract.	
DCP	Total DCP cropland on the parent tract.	Enter DCP cropland
Cropland		acres to be
	Total DCP cropland acres that have been entered	attributed to each
	for the resulting tracts.	resulting tract.
	DCP cropland acres for each resulting tract.	
CRP	Total CRP cropland on the parent tract.	Enter CRP cropland
Cropland		acres to be
	Total CRP cropland acres that have been entered	attributed to each
	for the resulting tracts.	resulting tract.
	CRP cropland acres for each resulting tract.	

242 Tract Division Acreages Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
WBP Acres	Total WBP acres on the parent tract.	Enter WBP acres to
		be attributed to each
	Total WBP acres that have been entered for the	resulting tract.
	resulting tracts.	
	• WDD comes for each reculting treat	
WRP/EWP	WBP acres for each resulting tract.Total WRP/EWP acres on the parent tract.	Enter WRP/EWP
Acres	Total WKF/EWF acres on the parent tract.	acres to be
110105	Total WRP/EWP acres that have been entered for	attributed to each
	the resulting tracts.	resulting tract.
	č	_
	WRP/EWP acres for each resulting tract.	
State Consrv	• Total State conservation acres on the parent tract.	Enter State
		conservation acres
	Total State conservation acres that have been	to be attributed to
	entered for the resulting tracts.	each resulting tract.
	State conservation acres for each resulting tract.	
Other Consrv	 Total other conservation acres on the parent tract. 	Enter other
	Total other conservation acres on the parent tracti	conservation acres
	Total other conservation acres that have been	to be attributed to
	entered for the resulting tracts.	each resulting tract.
	Other conservation acres for each resulting tract.	
GRP Acres	Total GRP acres on the parent tract.	Enter GRP acres to
	Total CDD come that have been entered for the	be attributed to each
	• Total GRP acres that have been entered for the resulting tracts.	resulting tract.
	resulting tracts.	
	GRP acres for each resulting tract.	
Eff DCP	Total effective DCP cropland acres on the parent	
Cropland	tract.	
	Total effective DCP cropland acres for the	
	resulting tracts.	
	• Effective DCD aronland somes for each resulting	
	• Effective DCP cropland acres for each resulting tract.	
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242 Tract Division Acreages Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
CRP MPL	Total CRP MPL acres on the parent	Enter CRP MPL acres to be
Acres	tract.	attributed to each resulting
		tract.
	Total CRP MPL acres that have been	
	entered for the resulting tracts.	
	CRP MPL acres for each resulting tract.	
NAP Crop	Total NAP crop acres on the parent	Enter NAP crop acres to be
Acres	tract.	attributed to each resulting
		tract.
	Total NAP crop acres that have been	
	entered for the resulting tracts.	
	NAP crop acres for each resulting tract.	
Double Crop	Total double crop acres on the parent	Enter double crop acres to be
	tract.	attributed to each resulting
		tract.
	Total double crop acres that have been	
	entered for the resulting tracts.	
	Double crop acres for each resulting	
	tract.	
Calculate	Allows the user to calculate the total of	Click "Calculate Totals"
Totals	each acreage that has been entered on the	button to calculate the total
	resulting tracts. This is used as a tool to	acres that have been entered
	ensure that all acreage is entered.	for each acreage field.
Continue	Allows the user to continue after all acreage	Click "Continue" after all
	is attributed to the resulting tracts.	acreage is attributed. The
		Tract Division – Other Data Screen will be displayed. See
		paragraph 243 for additional
		information.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request for	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	tract division.	initiation of the tract division.
		No data will be saved if
		"Cancel" is clicked.

243 Tract Division Other Data Screen

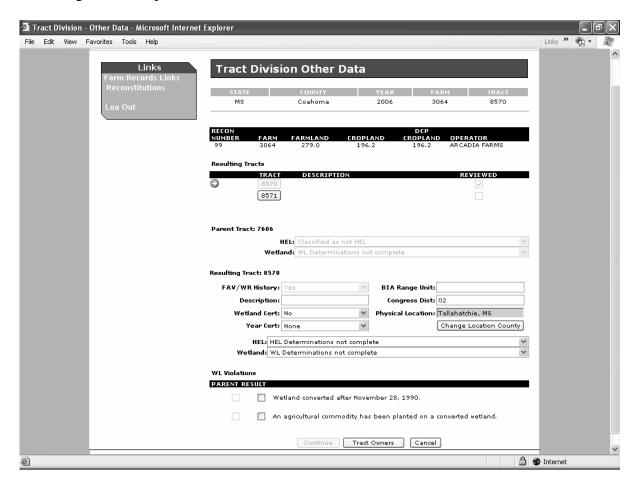
A Overview

The Tract Division Other Data Screen allows users to change tract level data on the resulting tracts of the division.

243 Tract Division Other Data Screen (Continued)

B Example of the Tract Division Other Data Screen

Following is an example of the Tract Division Other Data Screen.



243 Tract Division Other Data Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Tract Division Other Data Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon Number	Reconstitution number of the	
	current tract division.	
Farm	Farm number.	
Farmland	Farmland on the farm.	
Cropland	Cropland on the farm.	
DCP Cropland	DCP cropland on the farm.	
Operator	Operator of the farm.	
Tract	Allows the user to select the	Click applicable resulting tract number
	resulting tract for which data will	button to review or change data for
	be reviewed or changed.	that tract.
Description	Tract description for the resulting	
	tract.	
Reviewed	Indicates whether the tract data	
	has been reviewed or changed for	
	each tract.	
Parent Tract	Parent tract number.	
HEL	HEL determination for the parent	
	tract.	
Wetland	Wetland determination for the	
	parent tract.	
Resulting Tract	Resulting tract number.	
FAV/WR	FAV/WR History for the resulting	
History	tract.	
BIA Range	Allows the user to change the	User can change the BIA range unit
Unit	BIA range unit number for the	number for the resulting tract, if
	resulting tract.	necessary.
Description	Allows the user to enter the tract	Enter tract description. Tract
	description.	description is a required entry.

243 Tract Division Other Data Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
Congress Dist	Allows the user to change the congressional district for the resulting tract.	User can change the congressional district for the resulting tract, if necessary.
Wetland Cert	Allows the user to change the wetland certification for the resulting tract.	User can change the wetland certification for the resulting tract, if necessary.
Year Cert	Allows the user to change the year the wetland was certified for the resulting tract.	User can change the year the wetland was certified for the resulting tract, if necessary.
Physical Location	Displays the physical location of the resulting tract.	
Change Location County	Allows the user to change the physical location of the resulting tract.	User can change the physical location of the resulting tract, if necessary.
HEL	HEL determination for the resulting tract.	User can change the HEL determination for the resulting tract.
Wetland	Wetland determination for the resulting tract.	User can change the wetland determination for the resulting tract.
Wetland Violations – Parent	Identifies the wetland determinations that existed on the parent tract.	
Wetland Violations – Result	Allows the user to change the wetland violations for the resulting tract.	User can change the wetland violations for the resulting tract by placing a checkmark in the applicable check boxes.
Continue	Allows the user to continue after all data is attributed to the resulting tracts.	Click "Continue" after all data is attributed. The Tract Division Crop Data Screen will be displayed. See paragraph 245 for additional information.
Tract Owners	Allows the user to add and/or delete owners from the resulting tract.	User can add and/or delete owners from the resulting tract. The Owners Screen will be displayed. See paragraph 244 for additional information.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request for tract division.	Click "Cancel" to cancel the initiation of the tract division. No data will be saved if "Cancel" is clicked.

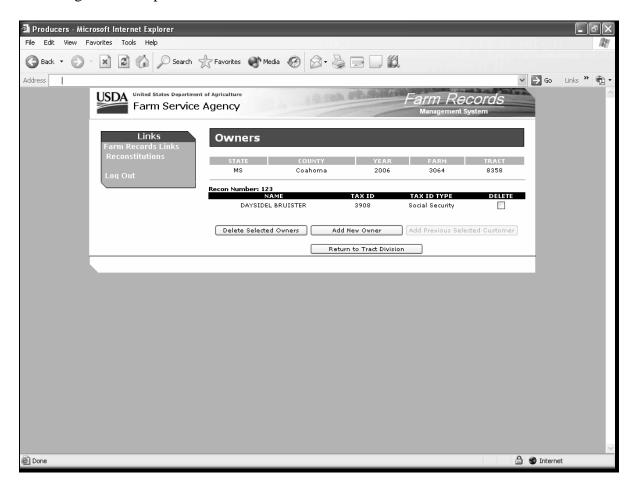
244 Owners Screen

A Overview

The Owners Screen allows the user to change owners on the resulting tracts of the tract division.

B Example of Owners Screen

Following is an example of the Owners Screen.



244 Owners Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Owners Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Name	Name of each owner associated	
	with the tract.	
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of each owner's	
	tax ID number.	
Tax ID Type	Tax ID type of each owner's	
	tax ID number.	
Delete	Selects an owner for deletion.	Enter a checkmark in the check box next
		to the owners that will be deleted.
Delete	"Delete Selected Owners"	Click "Delete Selected Owners" button to
Selected	button will delete any owners	delete owners that were selected for
Owners	that were selected for deletion.	deletion.
Add New	"Add New Owner" button	Click "Add New Owner" button to add a
Owner	allows the user to add a new	new owner. When the button is clicked,
	owner to the tract.	the SCIMS Customer Search Page will be
		displayed. After the new owner is
		selected, the user will be asked to confirm
		the selection.
Add Previous	"Add Previous Selected	Click "Add Previous Selected Customer"
Selected	Customer" button allows the	button to add the previously selected
Customer	user to add the previously	customer to the tract as an owner.
	selected customer to the tract	
	as an owner.	
Return to	"Return to Tract Division"	Click "Return to Tract Division" button
Tract Division	button allows the user to return	to return to the Tract Division – Other
	to the Tract Division – Other	Data Screen and save any changes to
	Data Screen after changes are	owners.
	made to owners.	

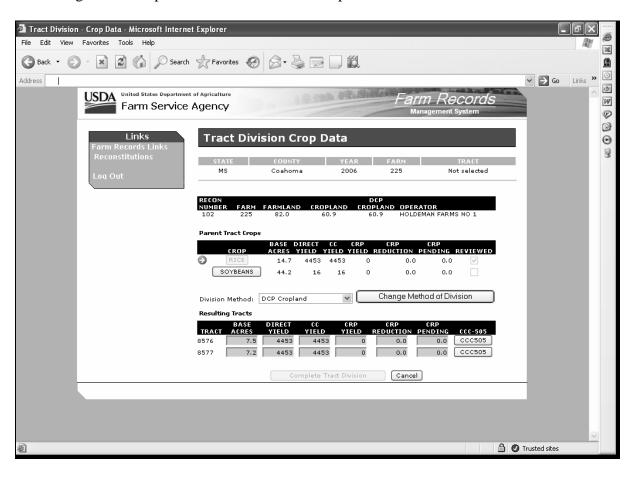
245 Tract Division Crop Data Screen

A Overview

The Tract Division Crop Data Screen allows user to divide tract level crop data between the resulting tracts of the division.

B Example of the Tract Division Crop Data Screen

Following is an example of the Tract Division Crop Data Screen.



245 Tract Division Crop Data Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Tract Division Crop Data Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon	Reconstitution number of the	
Number	current tract division.	
Farm	Farm number.	
Farmland	Farmland on the farm.	
Cropland	Cropland on the farm.	
DCP	DCP cropland on the farm.	
Cropland		
Operator	Operator of the farm.	

245 Tract Division Crop Data Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action	
Parent Tract Crops			
Crop	Allows the user to select the crop for which data will be reviewed or changed.	Click applicable crop button to review or change data for that crop.	
Base Acres	Total parent tract base acres applicable to each crop.		
Direct Yield	Parent tract direct yield applicable to each crop.		
CC Yield	Parent tract CC yield applicable to each crop.		
CRP Yield	Parent tract CRP yield applicable to each crop.		
CRP	Parent tract CRP reduction		
Reduction	acres applicable to each crop.		
CRP Pending	Parent tract CRP pending acres applicable to each crop.		
Reviewed	Indicates whether the crop data has been reviewed or changed for each crop.		
Division	Allows the user to select the	Select from:	
Method	method of division for each		
	crop.	estate	
		owner designation	
		DCP cropland.	
		Note: The default method of division for *tract divisions is the "DCP* cropland" method.	
Change	Changes to the method of	Click "Change Method of Division" button	
Method of	division.	to change the method of division. See	
Division		paragraphs 121, 122, and 124 for further information on each method of division.	

245 Tract Division Crop Data Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action		
Resulting Tracts				
Tract	Resulting tract number.			
Base Acres	Base acres being attributed to	IF	THEN	
Direct Yield CC Yield	the resulting tract. Direct yield being attributed to the resulting tract. CC yield being attributed to the	*DCP* cropland method was selected as the method of division	no action can be taken.	
CC Tich	resulting tract.	estate method or owner designation method were selected as the method of division	Enter base acres, direct yield, and CC yield applicable to each tract.	
CRP Yield	CRP yield attributed to the resulting tract.			
CRP Reduct	CRP reduction acres attributed to the resulting tract.			
CRP Pending	CRP pending acres attributed to the resulting tract.			
CCC-505	CCC-505 CRP Reduction data attributed to the resulting tract.	Click "CCC505" button to view CCC-05 CRP Reduction data attributed to the tract.		
Complete Tract Division	After all crops have been reviewed, the "Complete Tract Division" button will be available.	Click "Complete Tract Division" button to complete the tract division.		
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request for tract division.	Click "Cancel" to cancel the initiation of the tract division. No data will be saved if "Cancel" is clicked.		

D Successfully Divided the Tract

Once the "Complete Tract Division" button is clicked and all validations are passed, the Tract Reconstitution Screen will be displayed with the message "Successfully divided the tract." The parent tract will be deleted and the resulting tracts will now be active.

246 Out-of-Balance Tracts From DCP Cropland Method

A Determining Out-of-Balance Tracts

If the parent tract is fully based and divided by the DCP cropland method, resulting tracts may be out of balance by .1 or .2 acre. County Offices shall review all resulting tracts to determine whether an out-of-balance condition exists.

B Correcting Out-of-Balance Tracts

To correct the out-of-balance condition, County Offices shall:

- determine which tract is overbased
- determine which tract is underbased
- determine which crop on the parent tract had the most acres
- adjust the acres of that crop on the overbased and underbased tracts by the applicable amount on Crop Base Data, according to 3-CM (Rev. 4), paragraph 170. Enter reason code "Relief Given".

C Excess Acres Because of Double-Crop History or CCC-517

This paragraph does not apply if the parent tract had excess base acres because of:

- double-cropped history
- CCC-517.

Examples of Handling Out-of-Balance Resulting Tracts With Double-Cropped Acres

A Overview

This paragraph contains a number of examples that may occur when dividing tracts with double-cropped acres. Use the applicable example to determine what corrective action, if any, is needed on the out-of-balance resulting tracts.

In all of the examples, tract 1 is being divided into tract 2 and tract 3.

B General Rules

The double-cropped acres move with the bases to the extent allowable. Double-cropped acres on a tract cannot exceed the effective DCP cropland on the tract. County Offices have the authority to move double-cropped acres with the bases as needed.

Use the following table to determine how an out-of-balance tract is treated upon completion of the tract division.

IF the out-of-balance tract will	THEN
be divided off and combined with	leave the tract out of balance until after the
another farm with sufficient	combination. On the combined farm, follow the
effective DCP cropland	out-of-balance procedure according to 3-CM.
be divided off but not combined	before the farm is divided, follow the out-of-balance
with another farm	procedure according to 3-CM.
not be divided off	follow the out-of-balance procedure according to
	3-CM.

The movement of double-cropped acres from one resulting tract to another resulting tract will be processed through tract land maintenance according to 3-CM.

C Example 1, DCP Cropland Method of Division Without Conservation Acres

The bases will be divided using the DCP cropland ratio and the double-cropped acres will be divided using the effective DCP cropland ratio. Since there are no conservation acres on the tract, the DCP cropland and effective DCP cropland acres will be the same. Therefore, no out-of-balance tracts should be created and no corrective action should be necessary.

Examples of Handling Out-of-Balance Resulting Tracts With Double-Cropped Acres (Continued)

D Example 2, DCP Cropland Method of Division with Conservation Acres

In this example, both bases are divided using the DCP cropland method of division. The tract also has conservation acres. The double-cropped acres will be divided using the effective DCP cropland ratio. The effective DCP cropland acres are less than the DCP cropland acres.

County Offices have authority, according to paragraph 160, to divide the crop using the effective DCP cropland ratio and using the designation method in the computer to data load the resulting tracts' bases when conservation acres are on the tract being divided. The policy is to avoid creating an out-of-balance tract.

If the DCP cropland method of division is used, the results would be as follows.

Tract 1	Tract 2	Tract 3
100 acres DCP cropland 70/30 split:	70	30
15 acres CRP:	15	
85 acres effective DCP cropland:	55	30
50 acres double-cropped:	32.4	17.6
Total effective DCP cropland plus acres double-cropped:	87.4	47.6
75 acres sorghum base:	52.5	22.5
60 acres soybean base:	42	18
Total bases:	94.5	40.5

Using the DCP cropland method, tract 2 is out of balance by 7.1 acres and would require additional work by the County Office to balance the tracts. See the table in subparagraph B to determine the next step for tract 2.

E Example 3, Designation or Estate Method of Division Without Conservation Acres

In this example, both the sorghum base and soybean base are divided using the designation by landowner method.

Tract 1	Tract 2	Tract 3
100 acres DCP cropland 70/30 split:	70	30
100 acres effective DCP cropland:	70	30
50 acres double-cropped:	35	15
Total effective DCP cropland plus acres double-cropped:	105	45
75 acres sorghum base:	75	0
75 acres soybean base:	0	75
Total bases:	75	75

Tract 3 is out of balance by 30 acres; move 15 double-cropped acres from tract 2 to tract 3. The double-cropped acres on tract 3 are limited by effective DCP cropland.

After moving 15 double-cropped acres, tract 3 is still out of balance by 15 acres. See the table in subparagraph B to determine the next step for tract 3.

F Example 4, Designation or Estate Method of Division with Conservation Acres

In this example, the bases are divided using the designation by landowner or estate method. This tract also contains CRP acres so the DCP cropland and effective DCP cropland are different. The double-cropped acres will be divided using the effective DCP cropland ratio.

Tract 1	Tract 2	Tract 3
100 acres DCP cropland 70/30 split:	70	30
15 acres CRP:	15	
85 acres effective DCP cropland:	55	30
50 acres double-cropped:	32.4	17.6
Total effective DCP cropland plus acres double-cropped:	87.4	47.6
75 ac sorghum base:	75	0
60 ac soybean base:	0	60
Total bases:	75	60

Tract 3 is out of balance by 12.4 acres; move 12.4 double-cropped acres from tract 2 to tract 3.

G Example 5, Combination of Designation or Estate and DCP Cropland Methods of Division Without Conservation Acres

In this example, the sorghum base is divided using the designation by landowner method and the soybean base is divided using the DCP cropland method.

Tract 1	Tract 2	Tract 3
100 acres DCP cropland 70/30 split:	70	30
100 acres effective DCP cropland:	70	30
50 acres double-cropped	35	15
Total effective DCP cropland plus acres double-cropped:	105	45
75 acres sorghum base-designation:	75	0
75 acres soybean base-DCP cropland:	52.5	22.5
Total bases:	127.5	22.5

Tract 2 is out of balance by 22.5 acres, move 15.0 double-cropped acres from tract 3 to tract 2. After moving the 15 double-cropped acres, tract 2 is still out of balance by 7.5 acres. See the table in subparagraph B to determine the next step for tract 2.

H Example 6, Combination of Designation or Estate and DCP Cropland Methods of Division with Conservation Acres

In this example, the sorghum base is divided using the designation by landowner method and the soybean base is divided using the DCP cropland method. This tract also contains CRP acres so the DCP cropland and effective DCP cropland acres are different. The double-cropped acres will be divided using the effective DCP cropland ratio.

Tract 1	Tract 2	Tract 3
100 acres DCP cropland 70/30 split:	70	30
15 acres CRP:	15	
85 acres effective DCP cropland:	55	30
50 acres double-cropped:	32.4	17.6
Total effective DCP cropland plus acres double-cropped:	87.4	47.6
75 acres sorghum base-designation:	75	0
60 acres soybean base-DCP cropland:	42	18
Total bases	117	18

Tract 2 is out of balance by 29.6 acres; move 17.6 double-cropped acres from tract 3 to tract 2. After moving 17.6 double-cropped acres, tract 2 is still out of balance by 12 acres. See the table in subparagraph B to determine the next step for tract 2.

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Part 12 Tract Combination

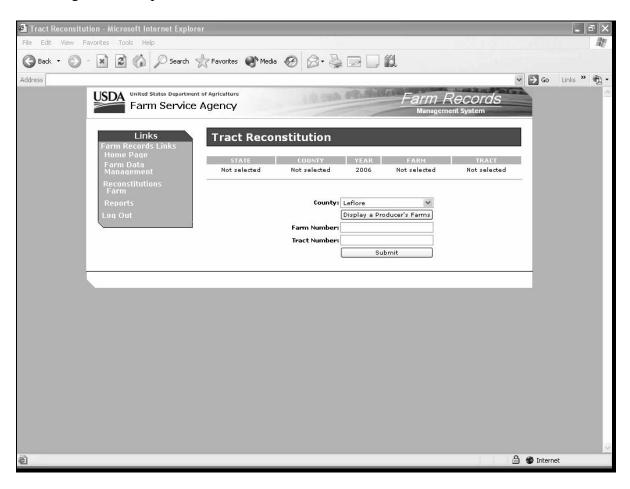
252 Initiating a Tract Combination

A Overview

Tract Reconstitution Screen allows the user to select the tracts for combination. The tracts can be selected by producer, farm number, or tract number.

B Example of Tract Reconstitution Screen Before Selection

Following is an example of the Tract Reconstitution Screen before tracts have been selected.



252 Initiating a Tract Combination (Continued)

C Initial Tract Selection

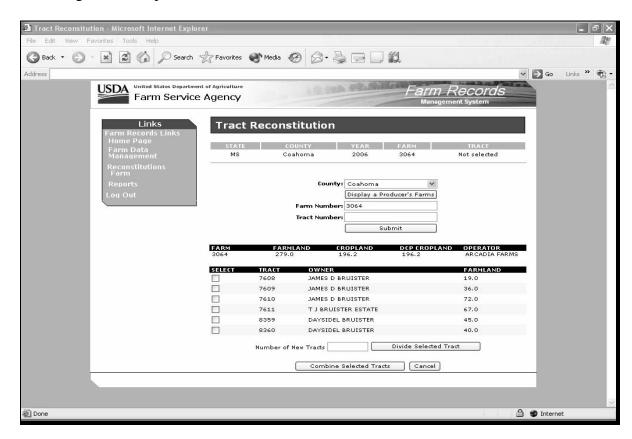
The following table provides the fields available on the Tract Reconstitution Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
County	Drop-down box that lists all	Select the county where the tracts to be
	counties administered by the	combined are administered.
	user's Service Center.	
		Note: No selection is necessary in Service
		Centers that only administer 1 county.
Display a	Allows the user to select the	Click "Display a Producer's Farms" to display
Producer's	tracts to be combined by	the SCIMS Customer Search Page. After the
Farms	searching by producer type,	producer is selected, the user will be asked to
	name, tax ID, or other.	confirm the selection.
Farm	Allows the user to select the	Enter a farm number and click "Submit".
Number	tracts to be combined by	
	entering a farm number.	
Tract	Allows the user to select the	Enter a tract number and click "Submit".
Number	tracts to be combined by	
	entering a tract number.	

252 Initiating a Tract Combination (Continued)

D Tract Reconstitution Screen After Tract Selection

Following is an example of the Tract Reconstitution Screen after tracts have been selected.



E Selecting the Tracts for Combination

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Tract Reconstitution Screen after the initial tract selection.

Field/Button	D	escription	Action	
County	Drop-down box that lists all counties		User can select a different county	
	administered by the user's Service		that they administer if the wrong	
	Center.		county was selected.	
Display a	Allows the use	er to select the tracts to	Click "Display a Producer's Farms"	
Producer's	be combined b	y searching by	to display the SCIMS Customer	
Farms		name, tax ID, or	Search Page. User can select a	
	other.		different producer if the wrong	
			producer was selected. After the	
			producer is selected, the user will be	
			asked to confirm the selection.	
Farm		er to select the tracts to	User can select a different farm if the	
Number		y entering a farm	wrong farm was selected.	
	number.		77	
Tract		er to select the tracts to	User can select a different tract if the	
Number		y entering a tract	wrong tract was selected.	
G 1	number.			
Select	Allows the user to select the tracts to		Enter a checkmark in the check box	
	be combined.		next the tract numbers that will be	
Tract	IF	THEN	combined. Select the tract numbers to be	
Tract			combined.	
	display a Producer's	the user must first select the farm on the	combined.	
	Farms was	associated farms		
	selected	screen and then all		
	Selected	tracts associated with		
		that farm will be		
		listed.		
	farm number	only the tracts		
	was entered	associated with the		
	as chicica	farm that was entered		
		will be listed.		
	tract number	only the tract number	†	
	was entered	entered will be listed.		

252 Initiating a Tract Combination (Continued)

E Selecting the Tracts for Combination (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
Owner	Displays the owner of the tract to	
	assist the user with selecting the	
	correct tract numbers for	
	combination.	
Farmland	Displays the farmland of the tract to	
	assist the user with selecting the	
	correct tract numbers for	
	combination.	
Number of	Applicable only to tract divisions.	
New Tracts		
Divide		
Selected		
Tract		
Combine	Allows the user to select to combine	Click "Combine Selected Tracts" to
Selected	the selected tracts.	initiate the tract combination. Tract
Tracts		Combination Screen will be
		displayed.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	for tract combination.	initiation of the tract combination.
		No data will be saved if "Cancel" is
		clicked.

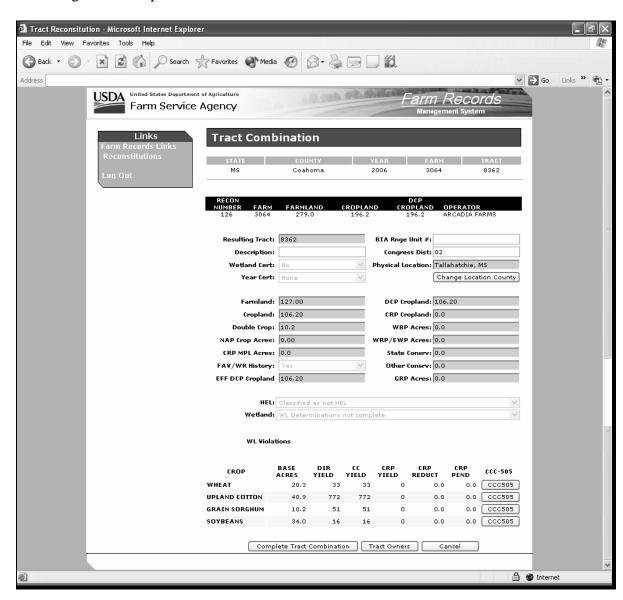
253 Tract Combination Screen

A Overview

The Tract Combination Screen allows the user to assign a tract description, assign a BIA range unit number, change the congressional district, change the physical location of the tract, and/or change tract owners on the resulting tract of the combination.

B Example of Tract Combination Screen

Following is an example of the Tract Combination Screen.



253 Tract Combination Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the fields that are available on the Tract Combination Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon	Reconstitution number of the current tract	
Number	combination.	
Farm	Farm number.	
Farmland	Farmland on the farm.	
Cropland	Cropland on the farm.	
DCP Cropland	DCP cropland on the farm.	
Operator	Operator of the farm.	
Resulting	Resulting tract number.	
Tract		
BIA Range	Allows the user to change the BIA range	User can change the BIA
Unit #	unit number for the resulting tract.	range unit number for the
		resulting tract, if necessary.
Description	Allows the user to enter the tract	Enter tract description.
	description.	Tract description is a
		required entry.
Congress Dist	Allows the user to change the congressional	User can change the
	district for the resulting tract.	congressional district for the
		resulting tract, if necessary.
Wetland Cert	Wetland certification determination for the	
	tract.	
Year Cert	Year of wetland certification for the tract.	
Physical	Displays the physical location of the	
Location	resulting tract.	
Change	Allows the user to change the physical	User can change the physical
Location	location of the resulting tract.	location of the resulting
County		tract, if necessary.
Farmland	Total farmland acres for the tract.	
Cropland	Total cropland acres for the tract.	
Double Crop	Total double crop acres for the tract.	
NAP Crop	Total NAP crop acres for the tract.	
Acres		

253 Tract Combination Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
CRP MPL	Total CRP MPL acres for the tract.	
Acres		
FAV/WR	"Yes" if tract has FAV/WR history or "No"	
History	if tract does not have FAV/WR history.	
Eff DCP	Total effective DCP cropland acres for the	
Cropland	tract.	
DCP Cropland	Total DCP cropland acres for the tract.	
CRP Cropland	Total CRP cropland acres for the tract.	
WBP Acres	Total WBP acres for the tract.	
WRP/EWP	Total WRP/EWP acres for the tract.	
Acres		
State Consrv	Total State conservation acres for the tract.	
Other Consrv	Total other conservation acres for the tract.	
GRP Acres	Total GRP acres for the tract.	
HEL	HEL determination for the resulting tract.	
Wetland	Wetland determination for the resulting	
	tract.	
WL Violations	Wetland violations for the resulting tract.	
Crop	Crops for which base acres exist on the	
	resulting tract.	
Base Acres	Base acres for each crop on the resulting	
	tract.	
Dir Yield	Direct yield for each crop on the resulting	
	tract.	
CC Yield	CC yield for each crop on the resulting tract.	
CRP Yield	CRP Yield for each crop on the resulting	
	tract.	
CRP	CRP reduction acres for each crop on the	
Reduction	resulting tract.	

253 Tract Combination Screen (Continued)

C Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
CRP Pending	CRP pending acres for each crop on the	
	resulting tract.	
CCC-505	CCC-505 CRP reduction acres for each crop	
	on the resulting tract.	
Complete	Allows the user to continue after a tract	Click "Complete Tract
Tract	description is entered for the resulting tract.	Combination" after a tract
Combination		description is entered for the
		resulting tract and all other
		changes are made to
		complete the tract
		combination.
Tract Owners	Allows the user to add and/or delete owners	User can add and/or delete
	on the resulting tract.	owners on the resulting
		tract. The Owners Screen
		will be displayed. See
		paragraph 254 for additional
		information.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the request for	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	tract combination.	initiation of the tract
		combination. No data will
		be saved if "Cancel" is
		clicked.

D Successfully Combined the Tracts

Once the "Complete Tract Combination" button is clicked and all validations are passed, the Tract Reconstitution Screen will be displayed with the message "Successfully combined the tracts." The parent tracts will be deleted and the resulting farm will now be active.

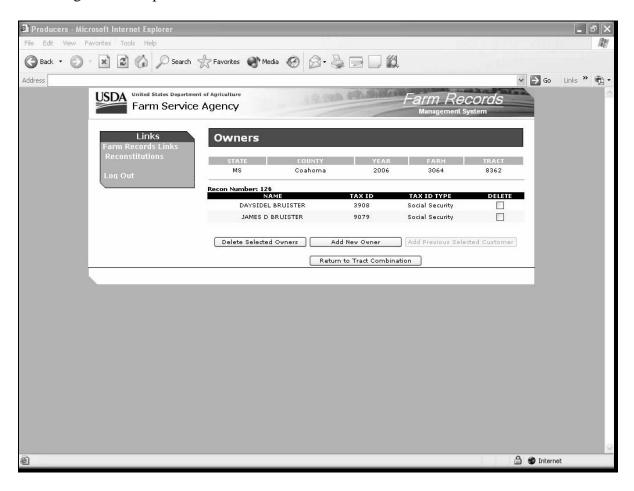
254 Owners Screen

A Overview

The Owners Screen allows the user to change owners on the resulting tract of the tract combination.

B Example of Owners Screen

Following is an example of the Owners Screen.



254 Owners Screen (Continued)

C Fields

The following table provides the field descriptions and actions for the Owners Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Name	Name of each owner	
	associated with the tract.	
Tax ID	Last 4 digits of each	
	owner's tax ID number.	
Tax ID Type	Tax ID type of each owner's	
	tax ID number.	
Delete	Selects an owner for	Enter a checkmark in the check box next to
	deletion.	the owners that will be deleted.
Delete Selected	"Delete Selected Owners"	Click "Delete Selected Owners" button to
Owners	button will delete any	delete owners that were selected for
	owners that were selected	deletion.
	for deletion.	
Add New	"Add New Owner" button	Click "Add New Owner" button to add a
Owner	allows the user to add a new	new owner. When the button is clicked, the
	owner to the tract.	SCIMS Customer Search Page will be
		displayed. After the new owner is selected,
		the user will be asked to confirm the
		selection.
Add Previous	"Add Previous Selected	Click "Add Previous Selected Customer"
Selected	Customer" button allows the	button to add the previously selected
Customer	user to add the previously	customer to the tract as an owner.
	selected customer to the	
	tract as an owner.	
Return to Tract	"Return to Tract	Click "Return to Tract Combination"
Combination	Combination" button allows	button to return to the Tract Combination
	the user to return to the	Screen and save any changes to owners.
	Tract Combination Screen	
	after changes are made to	
	owners.	

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Part 13 Updating Reconstitutions

Section 1 Obtaining COC Approval

261 Documentation for COC Approval

A Required Documentation

County Offices shall submit the following to COC for each reconstitution:

- completed FSA-155 prepared according to paragraph 72
- FSA-156EZ's automatically printed for the parent and resulting farms
- COC report automatically printed during the reconstitution
- additional documentation necessary to support the reconstitution or the methods of division selected.

262 COC Review of Proposed Reconstitutions

A Basic Requirement

COC shall approve or disapprove each reconstitution by signing the:

- COC report
- FSA-155

FSA-155 is signed after the:

- farm level reconstitution is initiated in the computer and is in pending status
- tract level reconstitution is completed in the computer.

B COC Redelegation

COC may redelegate to CED the authority to approve or disapprove FSA-155 and the COC report if another reconstitution, signup, or similar action would be delayed if COC action is not obtained in a timely manner.

If COC redelegates to CED:

- the redelegation shall be in writing
- each month, COC shall review CED decisions.

262 COC Review of Proposed Reconstitutions (Continued)

C COC Review Requirements

When reviewing proposed reconstitutions, COC shall:

- check the items submitted according to paragraph 261
- ensure that the reconstitution requirements in Part 3 are met
- ensure that all information on FSA-155 has been obtained and the form is complete
- ensure that the reconstitution effective dates are correct according to paragraph 73
- for divisions, ensure that the proper methods of division are selected according to paragraphs 121, 122, and 124 and the applicable questions in subparagraph D are addressed
- if variation or adjustment rules are used, ensure that the:
 - rules are applied correctly
 - results are correct
- sign the COC report if the reconstitution is approved
- sign FSA-155 for all reconstitutions
- see paragraph 275 if the reconstitution is not approved.

262 COC Review of Proposed Reconstitutions (Continued)

D COC Report

COC must consider the following questions for the applicable method of division for each crop when reviewing the reconstitution documentation before approving or disapproving the reconstitution.

Method	Questions	
Owner Designation	Was a signed MOU of the designated base acres submitted by the	
	interested owners (seller and purchaser)?	
Estate	Using the estate method of division according to a will by the testator,	
	are the terms of the will such that a division can be made reasonably?	

263-266 (Reserved)

Section 2 Updating/Deleting Reconstitutions on the Computer

267 Updating/Deleting Reconstitutions

A How to Begin

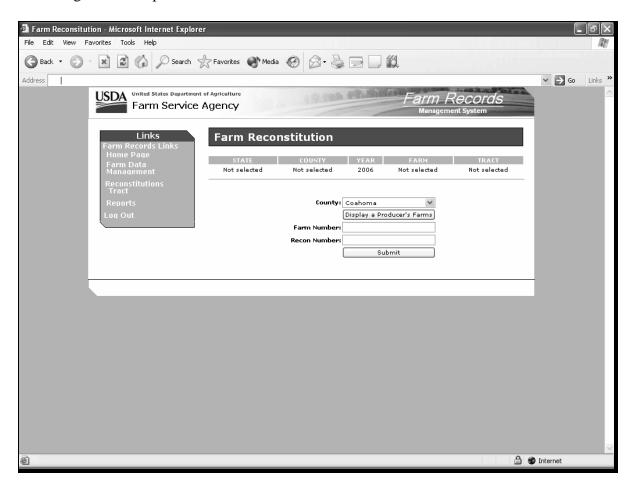
On Farm Reconstitution Screen, select to display a Producer's Farms, enter a farm number, or enter a reconstitution number.

Note: If user selects to display a producers farms and the producer is associated with more than 1 farm, the Associated Farms Screen will be displayed. User must select the farm number to be updated.

The reconstitution shall not be updated until COC has approved the reconstitution according to paragraph 262.

B Example of Farm Reconstitution Screen

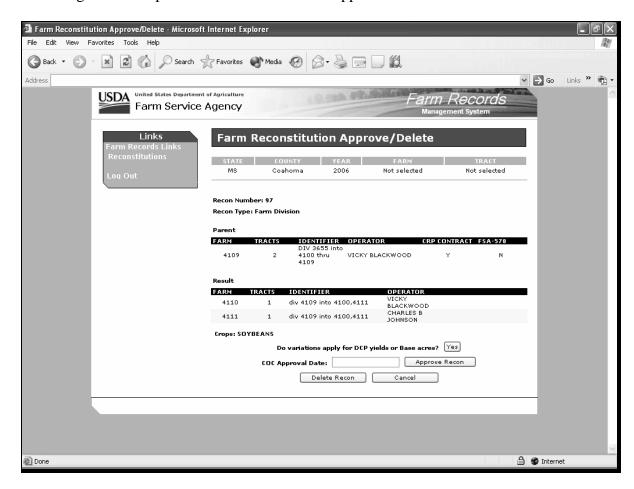
Following is an example of the Farm Reconstitution Screen.



C Verifying Reconstitutions

The Farm Reconstitution Approve/Delete Screen will display basic data for the reconstitution.

Following is an example of Farm Reconstitution Approve/Delete Screen.



D Fields

The following table provides the fields available on the Farm Reconstitution Approve/Delete Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon	Reconstitution number.	
Number		
Recon Type	Reconstitution type will display as	
	1 of the following:	
	farm division	
	• farm combination.	
	Parent	
Farm	Parent farm numbers.	
Tracts	Number of tracts on the parent	
	farm.	
Identifier	Parent farm identifier.	
Operator	Operator of the parent farm.	
CRP	Indicates whether the parent farm	See subparagraph E.
Contract	has a CRP contract.	
FSA-578	Indicates whether the parent farm	See subparagraph E.
	has a FSA-578.	

D Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
	Result	
Farm	Resulting farm numbers.	
Tracts	Number of tracts on the resulting	
	farm number.	
Identifier	Resulting farm identifier.	
Operator	Operator of the resulting farm.	
Crops	Indicates the crops for which base	
	acres exist on the resulting farms.	
Do	Allows the user to select that	Click "Yes" if variations apply. Farm
Variations	variations apply for DCP yields or	Division - Variation Screen will display.
Apply for	base acres.	See paragraph 268.
DCP Yields		
or Base	Note: Only applies to farm	
Acres?	divisions.	
COC	Allows the user to enter the COC	Enter COC approval date. The date
Approval	approval date.	must be entered as mm/dd/yyyy.
Date		
Approve	Allows the user to approve the	Click "Approve Recon" after a COC
Recon	farm reconstitution.	approval date has been entered.
Delete Recon	Allows the user to delete the	Click "Delete Recon" to delete the
	reconstitution.	current reconstitution. Once "Delete
		Recon" is clicked, the reconstitution will
		be deleted and no data will be saved for
		the resulting farms.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	approval/deletion of the farm	approval/deletion of the farm
	reconstitution.	reconstitution. No data will be saved if
		"Cancel" is clicked.

E CRP Contract and FSA-578 Required Action

Determine necessary action according to this table.

IF the flag is "Y" for	THEN the reconstitution process will	
CRP contract	continue. See 1-CRP to enter CRP-1 on the resulting farms.	
FSA-578	not continue. Delete FSA-578 according to 2-CP.	

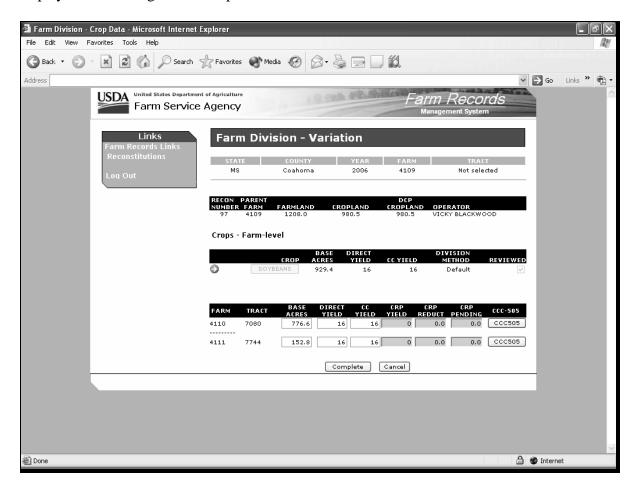
In all cases:

- update the reconstitution
- notify the resulting farm operator and owners of:
 - reconstitution
 - HEL and WL determinations
 - appeal rights.

268 Recording DCP Variations

A Farm Division – Variation Screen

When the reconstitution selected for update is a farm division, the question "Do variations apply for DCP Yields or Base Acres?" will display on the Farm Reconstitution Approve/Delete Screen. If "Yes" is clicked, the Farm Division - Variation Screen will be displayed. Following is an example of Farm Division - Variation Screen.



268 Recording DCP Variations (Continued)

B Fields

The following table provides the fields available on the Farm Division – Variation Screen.

Field/Button	Description	Action
Recon Number	Reconstitution number.	
Parent Farm	Parent farm number.	
Farmland	Farmland on the parent farm.	
Cropland	Cropland on the parent farm.	
DCP Cropland	DCP cropland on the parent farm.	
Operator	Operator on the parent farm.	
Crop	Crops on the parent farm.	Click button applicable to each crop to review and/or update crop data.
Base Acres	Crop base acres on the parent farm.	
Direct Yield	Crop direct yield on the parent farm.	
CC Yield	Crop CC yield on the parent farm.	
Division	Division method used for the crop.	
Method		
Reviewed	Indicates whether the crop data has	
	been reviewed.	
Farm	Resulting farm numbers.	
Tract	Tract numbers on the resulting farms.	
Base Acres	Base acres on the resulting farm and	Adjust base acres according to
	tract.	policy provided in paragraph 135.
Direct Yield	Direct yield on the resulting farm and	Adjust direct yield according to
	tract.	policy provided in paragraph 136.
CC Yield	CC yield on the resulting farm and	Adjust CC yield according to
	tract.	policy provided in paragraph 136.

268 Recording DCP Variations (Continued)

B Fields (Continued)

Field/Button	Description	Action
CRP Yield	CRP yield on the resulting farm and	
	tract.	
CRP Reduct	CRP reduction acres on the resulting	
	farm and tract.	
CRP Pending	CRP pending acres on the resulting	
	farm and tract.	
CCC-505	CCC-505 CRP Reduction data	Click "CCC505" button to view
	attributed to the resulting farm and	CCC-505 CRP Reduction data
	tract.	attributed to the farm and tract.
Complete	Allows the user to save the changes	Click "Complete" button after all
	made to base acres and/or yields.	changes have been made to base
		acres and/or yields to save the
		changes.
Cancel	Allows the user to cancel the entry of	Click "Cancel" to cancel the
	DCP variations.	entry of DCP variations. No data
		will be saved if "Cancel" is
		clicked.

269-274 (Reserved)

Section 3 Notifying Operators and Owners

Notification Requirements

A Reconstitution Not Approved

If COC does not approve the proposed reconstitution, send a letter to parent and resulting farm's owners and operators. Include at least the following in the letter:

- the disapproval
- reasons the reconstitution was not approved
- appeal rights.

B Reconstitution Is Approved

If COC approves the reconstitution, provide the following information to the parent and resulting farm's owners and operators by mail:

- FSA-476DCP, applicable to farm level reconstitutions only
- FSA-156EZ
- a photocopy of NRCS determinations with NRCS determinations entered for each field
 Note: See 6-CP for more information.
- appeal rights.

276 Handling Reconstitution Appeals

A General Rule

For approved **and** disapproved reconstitutions, notify owners and operators of COC action and provide appeal rights according to 1-APP.

277-280 (Reserved)

Section 4 Reconstitution Documentation

281 Retaining Reconstitution Documentation

A Rule

After the reconstitution is updated, attach the following documentation to FSA-155:

- FSA-156EZ printed for the parent farm or farms during the reconstitution process
- FSA-156EZ printed for the resulting farm or farms during the update process
- documentation provided by the producer, as applicable:
 - MOU for landowner designation
 - copy of the will or written agreement signed by all heirs or devisees
 - owners agreement for base adjustment
- COC documentation for direct and CC yield adjustments, when applicable
- COC documentation and owners signatures for base adjustment, when applicable
- COC report
- copy of FSA-476DCP for farm level reconstitutions.

282-285 (Reserved)

Part 14 Reports

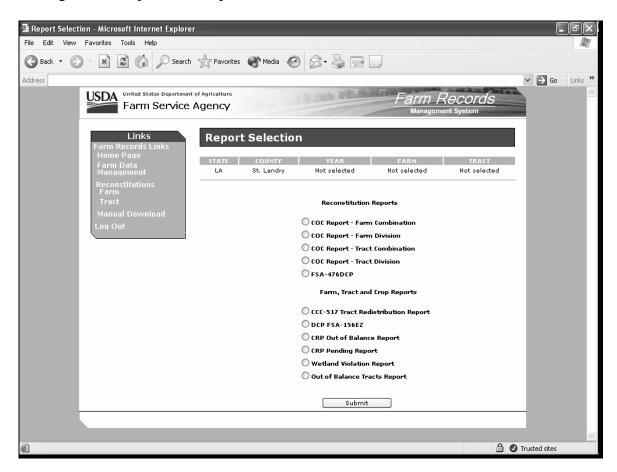
286 Accessing Reports

A Accessing Reports

Reports can be accessed from the Farm Records Management System Home Page. Users must click on "Reports" to access the Report Selection Screen.

B Example of Report Selection Screen

Following is an example of the Report Selection Screen.



286 Accessing Reports (Continued)

C Reports

The following table provides the available reports on the Reports Selection Screen.

Report	Description	
Reconstitution Reports		
COC Report – Farm Combination	COC Reports provide the following parent and	
COC Report – Farm Division	resulting farm data:	
COC Report – Tract Combination		
COC Report – Tract Division	farm and tract level data	
_	crop data	
	• conservation compliance status.	
FSA-476DCP	Notice of contract acreage, payment yields and CRP	
	reduction.	
Farm, T	ract, and Crop Reports	
CCC-517 Tract Redistribution	See 3-CM (Rev. 4).	
CRP Out-of-Balance		
CRP Pending		
Old FSA-156EZ		
Out-of-Balance Tract		
Wetland Violation		

287 Printing COC Reports

A Printing COC Reports

COC reports will automatically print after completing a reconstitution. COC reports may be reprinted for the current FY for a:

- pending farm combination
- pending farm division
- completed tract combination
- completed tract division

B Reprinting COC Reports

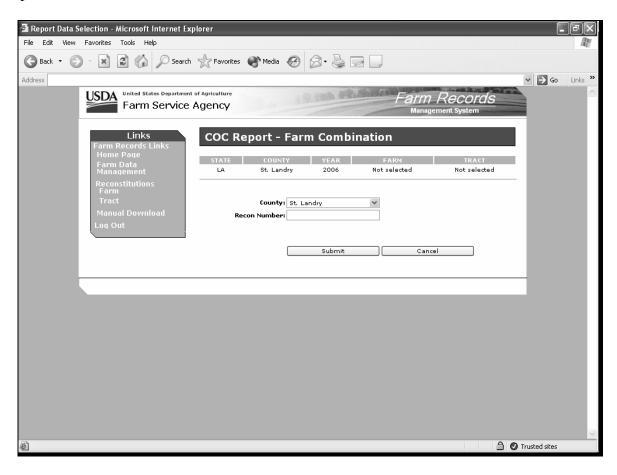
Reprint a COC report according to the following table.

Step	Action
1	For multiple County Offices only: select the applicable County Office.
2	Enter reconstitution number to be printed and click "Submit" button.
3	When the COC report opens in the Adobe PDF window, do 1 of the following:
	select the browsers print button to print the report
	save the report to your computer.

287 Printing COC Reports (Continued)

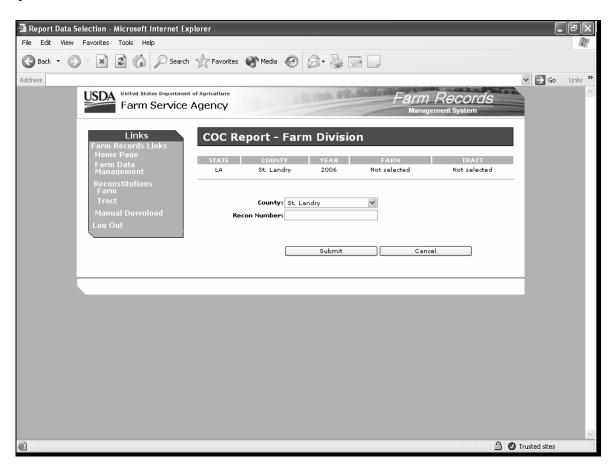
C Example of Reports Selection Screen COC Report - Farm Combination

This report can be printed anytime before COC approval of the reconstitution from the Reports Menu.



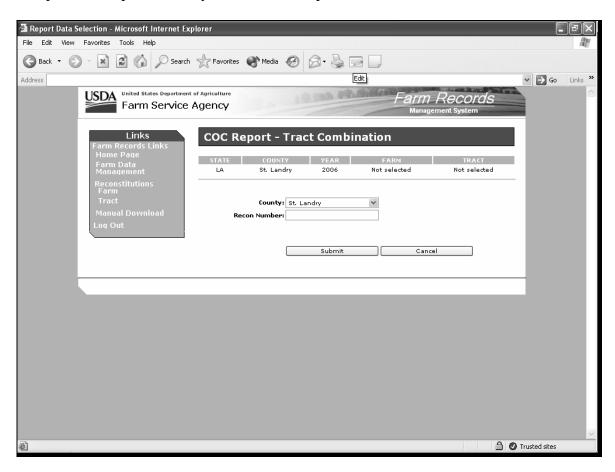
D Example of Reports Selection Screen COC Report - Farm Division

This report can be printed anytime prior to COC Approval of the reconstitution from the Reports Menu.



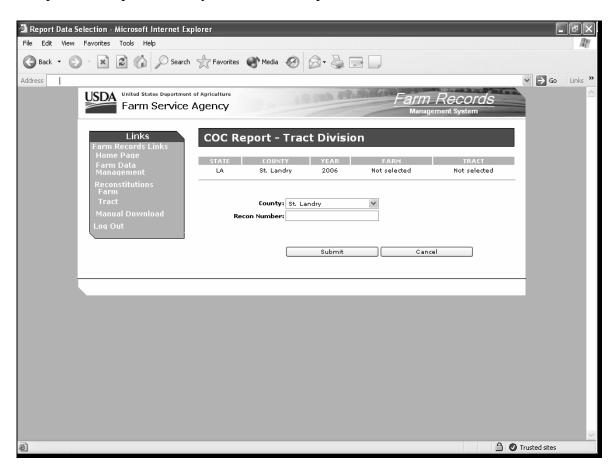
E Example of Reports Selection Screen COC Report - Tract Combination

This report can be printed at anytime from the Reports Menu.

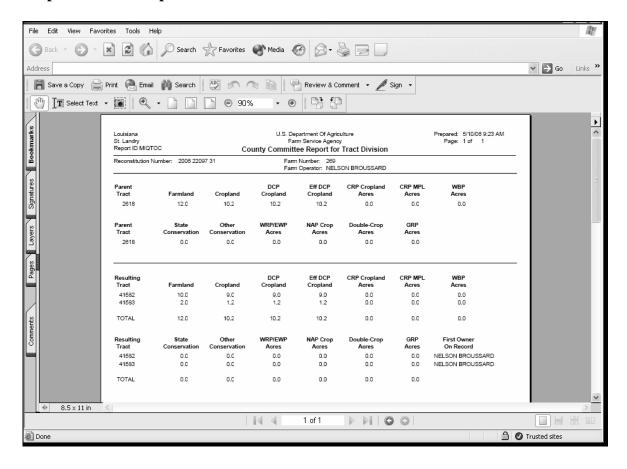


F Example of Reports Selection Screen COC Report - Tract Division

This report can be printed at anytime from the Reports Menu.



G Example of a COC Report



288 Printing FSA-476DCP

A Printing FSA-476DCP

The FSA-476DCP automatically prints following COC approval. FSA-476DCP may be reprinted for the current FY for an approved:

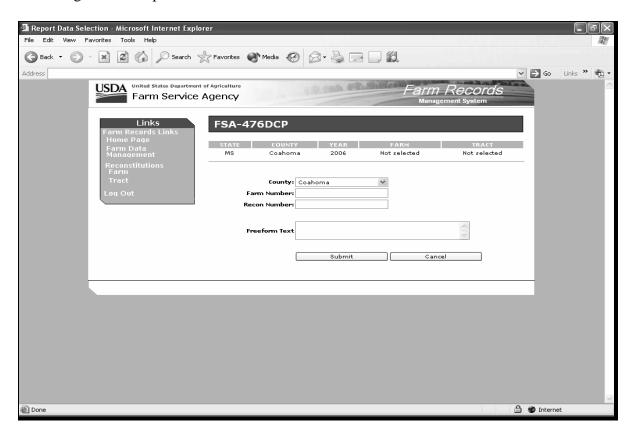
- farm combination
- farm division.

Note: When a series of reconstitutions has been processed, only FSA-476DCP's for the final approved reconstitution can be reprinted.

The mailing date on FSA-476DCP will be the date the reconstitution was updated, and the final appeal/review date will be 30 calendar days after the mailing date.

B Example of FSA-476DCP Selection Screen

Following is an example of FSA-476DCP Selection Screen.



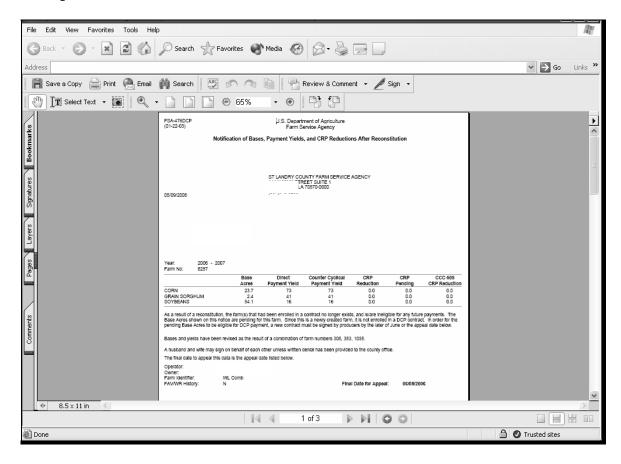
288 Printing FSA-476DCP (Continued)

C Reprinting the FSA-476DCP

Reprint a FSA-476DCP according to the following table.

Step	Action		
1	For multiple County Offices only: select the applicable County Office.		
2	Enter farm number or reconstitution number to be printed.		
3	Enter free form text to be printed on the FSA-476DCP and click "Submit" button.		
4	When the FSA-476DCP report opens in the Adobe PDF window, do 1 of the following:		
	 select the browsers print button to print the report save the report to your computer. 		

D Example of FSA-476DCP



Reports, Forms, Abbreviations, and Redelegations of Authority

Reports

None

Forms

This table lists all forms referenced in this handbook.

		Display	
Number	Title	Reference	Reference
CCC-505	Voluntary Permanent Direct and		Text
	Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP) Base		
	Acreage Reduction		
CCC-509	Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program		Text
	Contract		
CCC-517	Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program		121, 122
	Tract Redistribution Form		
CRP-1	Conservation Reserve Program Contract		Text, Ex. 2, 10
CRP-15	Agreement for Reduction of Bases,		111, 153
	Allotments, and Quotas		
FSA-155	Request for Farm Reconstitution	72	Text, Ex. 10
FSA-156EZ	Abbreviated 156 Farm Record and Tract		Text, Ex. 10
	Listing		
FSA-476DCP	Notice of Contract Acreage, Payment		Text, Ex. 10
	Yields and CRP Reduction		
FSA-578	Report of Acreage		267, Ex. 10

Reports, Forms, Abbreviations, and Redelegations of Authority (Continued)

Abbreviations Not Listed in 1-CM

The following abbreviations are not listed in 1-CM.

Approved		
Abbreviation	Term	Reference
CC	counter-cyclical	Text
CRS	Common Receivable System	71, 73
EWP	Emergency Watershed Protection	213, 227, 242, 253
FAV/WR	fruits and vegetables or wild rice	Text
HELC	highly erodible land conservation	2, 29
MOU	memorandum of understanding	Text
MPL	marginal pasture land	Text
SCIMS	State and County Information Management System	Text, Ex. 10
WC	wetland conservation	2, 29

Redelegations of Authority

This table lists redelegations of authority in this handbook.

Redelegation	Reference
COC may redelegate to CED the authority to approve or disapprove	262
reconstitutions.	

Definitions of Terms Used in This Handbook

Common Ownership Unit

A <u>common ownership unit</u> is a distinguishable part of a farm, consisting of 1 or more tracts of land with the same owners, as determined by FSA.

Cropland

<u>Cropland</u> is land that COC determines meets any of the following conditions:

currently being tilled to produce a crop for harvest

Note: Land that is seeded by drilling, broadcasting, or other no-till planting practices shall be considered tilled.

- not currently tilled, but has been tilled in a prior year and is suitable to be tilled for crop production
- currently devoted to 1- or 2-row shelterbelt planting, orchard, vineyard, or other related crops
- in terraces that, according to FSA records, were cropped in the past even though they are no longer capable of being cropped
- in sod waterways or filter strips planted to perennial cover
- under CRP-1, including alternative perennials, until CRP-1 expires or is terminated

Note: Violations of HELC or WC provisions do not affect cropland classification.

- new land broken out if both of the following conditions are met:
 - land is planted to a crop to be carried through to harvest
 - tillage and cultural practices in planting and harvesting the crop must be consistent with normal practices in the area.

Cropland (Continued)

Land classified as cropland shall be removed from this classification upon a determination by COC that the land is:

- no longer used for an agricultural use
- no longer suitable for producing a crop
- subject to a restrictive or permanent easement that prohibits the planting of an annual crop

Note: This does not include land under CRP-1.

• converted to ponds, tanks, or trees.

Note: This does not include trees planted under CRP-1 or currently devoted to 1- or 2-row shelterbelt planting, orchard, or vineyard.

DCP Cropland

<u>DCP cropland</u> is land for which 1 or more of the following apply:

- the land currently meets the definition of cropland
- the land met the definition of cropland at the time it was enrolled in PFC and the land is currently being used for an agricultural or related activity
- the land met the definition of cropland on or after April 4, 1996, and the land continues to be devoted to an agricultural or related activity.

Note: Refer to 1-DCP, paragraph 426 for a list of agricultural uses.

DCP Cropland Method

The <u>DCP cropland method</u> is the division of bases in the same proportion that the DCP cropland for each resulting tract relates to the DCP cropland on the parent tract.

Default Method

The <u>default method</u> is the division of bases for a parent farm with each tract maintaining the bases attributed to the tract level when the reconstitution is initiated in the system.

Designation by Landowner Method

The <u>designation by landowner method</u> is the division of base acres in the manner agreed to by the parent farm owner and purchaser or transferee.

Estate Method

The <u>estate method</u> is the division of base acres for a parent farm among heirs in settling an estate.

Farm

A <u>farm</u> is made up of tracts that have the same owner and the same operator.

Land with different owners may be combined as one farm if all the land is operated by 1 producer with all of the following elements in common and substantially separate from other tracts:

- labor
- equipment
- accounting system
- management.

Note: Land on which other producers provide their own labor and equipment and do not meet the definition of an operator, shall not be considered a separate farm.

Farm Combination

A <u>farm combination</u> is the consolidation of 2 or more farms, having the same operator, into 1 farm.

Farm Division

A <u>farm division</u> is the dividing of a farm into 2 or more farms because of a change in ownership or operation.

Farmland

<u>Farmland</u> is the sum of the following:

- DCP cropland
- forest
- NAP crop acreage as specified in 1-NAP not meeting the definition of cropland or DCP cropland
- other land on the farm.

Operator

An <u>operator</u> is an individual, entity, or joint operation who is determined by COC as being in general control of the farming operations on the farm.

Owner

An <u>owner</u> is an individual or entity who has legal ownership of farmland, including individuals or entities that are any of the following:

buying farmland under a contract for deed

Note: Regional attorney shall review contracts that are questionable before changing FSA ownership records.

- retaining a life estate in the property
- purchasing a farm in a foreclosure proceeding and both of the following apply:
 - the redemption period has not passed
 - the original owner has not redeemed the property
- a spouse in community property States
- spouses owning property jointly.

Note: COC shall require specific proof of ownership when land ownership is transferred.

Examples: Proof of ownership may include:

- copy of the deed, if recorded
- unrecorded deed, if specific program does not require a recorded deed
- land contract
- FSA employee's check of the record at the county land records office
- proof of gift tax
- real estate tax assessment or bill.

Reconstitution

A <u>reconstitution</u> is a change in the land constituting a farm as a result of combining or dividing tracts or farms.

Tract

A <u>tract</u> is a unit of contiguous land that is both of the following:

- under 1 ownership
- operated as a farm or a part of a farm.

Tract Combination

A <u>tract combination</u> is the optional consolidation of 2 or more tracts because of common ownership unit and contiguous land.

Tract Division

A <u>tract division</u> is the dividing of a tract into 2 or more tracts because of a change in ownership or operation. A tract division does not always require a subsequent farm division.

Menu and Screen Index

The following menus and screens are displayed in this handbook.

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Reconstitution Checklist

	Questions	Yes	No	NA
1.	Has FSA-155 been completed properly and all required signatures obtained?			
2.	Have current FY payments been issued on the parent farm or farms? If yes, all producers on all parent farms must refund all payments before initiating the farm combination or farm division.			
3.	Have new operators or owners been added to SCIMS?			
4.	Has FSA-156EZ been reviewed to determine whether all information is correct on the parent farm or farms?			
5.	Is the tract farmland, cropland, and DCP cropland correct on the parent farms?			
6.	Is there an outstanding pending reconstitution on the parent farm? If yes, determine whether it must be completed.			
7.	Does the parent farm or tract have a current year FSA-578? If yes, delete FSA-578 before reconstitution is updated.			
8.	Is the parent farm under CRP-1? If yes, enter the resulting farm or farms on CRP-1.			
9.	Has COC approved the reconstitution?			
	 If approved, has the reconstitution been updated? 			
	 If disapproved, has the pending reconstitution been deleted? 			
10.	Has the reconstitution documentation been filed and inactive farm folders been marked inactive?			
11.	Has an HEL field been split? If yes, has a redetermination been made?			
12.	Have FSA-476DCP's, FSA-156EZ's, letters, and NRCS determinations, as applicable, been mailed to resulting owners and operators?			
13.	Has the aerial photograph and/or CLU been updated?			
14.	Have NRCS HELC/WC records been brought forward and referenced in the HELC/WC file?			